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Foundation for affordable housing

Committee's charge finalized this week

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The Affordable Housing Steering Committee has its mission; now it just needs its members.

Selectmen formalized the committee's charge at their meeting on Tuesday,

Aug. 9. The committee will comprise members from the Housing Authority, Planning Board, Council on Aging, Conservation Commission, and general population for a minimum of seven members and a maximum of nine.

Other ex-officio seats may include members from the School Committee, local clergy, Board of Health, Veteran Services,

or non-affiliated affordable housing advocacy representatives.

Selectmen reported that three or four applications had already been received from the general population. It will be up to the boards and committees to choose their representatives between now and the selectmen's next meeting on August 23, when appointments will be made.

Officials have been working all year to bring this committee to life after setting it as a Fiscal 2016 goal. They believe it's critical for Cohasset to take charge of its own affordable housing situation before the state sees fit to intervene.

Massachusetts sets the goal that 10 percent of all dwellings in a town meet

The steering committee will begin by making a comprehensive five-year review of the Town's housing stock and projecting affordable housing needs.

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SAILING CLUB



Kaleigh Barrett, 10, and Aidan Mensching, 12, pull with all their might in the tug-o-war against team Greece at the annual Cohasset Sailing Club Fun day on Monday. For more photos, see page A4. WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / ALYSSA STONE

COHASSET RENTALS

Rooms tax won't apply to 'Airbnb'

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When Cohasset officials said "yes" to a new room occupancy excise tax this spring, they were also saying "hopefully" to the idea of levying that tax on short-term, private home rentals.

Websites like Airbnb and VRBO (Vacation Rentals By Owner) allow travelers to book accommodations with local "hosts" instead of at a hotel. Along with cost savings comes the feeling that many travelers crave: the feeling of having experienced a place like they lived there.

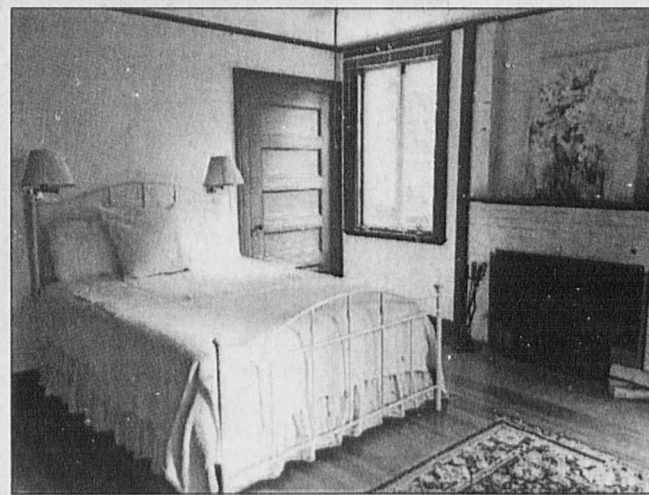
Meanwhile, hosts can make a little money (or a lot!) by renting out extra rooms in their home – or in some cases, the entire house. There are about

"The revenue would have been a good thing for us. We'll have to keep working with the State to find a solution that works."

Selectmen Chairman
Kevin McCarthy

a dozen such enterprises going on in Cohasset, and many more in neighboring Scituate and Hull.

But hotel and motel owners have their concerns about these short-term home rentals. As traditional taxi companies felt threatened by the ride-sharing program Uber, many owners of traditional lodgings feel that private



This is just one of the many bedrooms in a rustic style vacation rental near Sandy Cove, which sleeps 18. PHOTO FROM AIRBNB.COM.

home rentals are bad for business and should be regulated and taxed the same as hotels – as much as 15 percent in the Commonwealth.

Cohasset Town Meeting voters in May supported

the institution of a local 0.75 percent meals tax and four percent room tax for hotels, but whether the rooms excise tax would apply to short-term, private

SEE AIRBNB, A11

ART EXCEL

Happiness is a habit

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Painting and playwriting. Singing and sculpture. Drawing and dance. When people think of "art," these traditional forms come to mind. Most would not think of "breathing" or "living" as art forms.

According to Angela Babuschiak, they might be happier if they did. Babuschiak has studied the "Art of Living" and now plans to teach it to adolescents in Cohasset and beyond through a program called ART Excel, or All Round Training in Excellence.

"It's changed my life in so many ways," said Babuschiak. "It's allowed me to respond to situations as opposed to react; it's helped me with acceptance and compassion. It's helped me to live a better life and be a better wife, friend, mother, and that's what I want for my son."

The four-day course that Babuschiak plans to host out of her home on Aug. 25 through 28 will be her 11-year-old son's first experience with the program, and his mom can't wait to share it. She explained that the family has moved around a lot, and she believes that ART Excel will help him deal with that.

"It's what I want for him, for his friends, and for the community," she said.

The ART Excel course supports the overall well-being of children ages eight to 13 by teaching them a variety of empowering techniques that foster peace of mind, mental clarity and focus, physical relaxation and emotional stability.

ART Excel uses breathing, yoga and games to teach students how to manage their emotions – especially the bad ones, like stress. It teaches them about sharing, working and playing in harmony, and developing a sense of belonging with others. It empowers them and builds self-confidence.

SEE ART, A10

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Legal Briefs

by Kevin Phillips
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WORKPLACE RETALIATION

In the event that employees believe they have been discriminated against, harassed, or unjustly terminated because they filed a workers' compensation benefit claim, they may bring civil actions against their employers for the tort of "retaliatory discharge." When state law allows this type of lawsuit to be initiated, employees must prove to a judge or jury that it was more likely than not that they were wrongfully terminated. However, it is not necessary to prove that the workers' compensation claim was the sole reason for the discharge. Employees who believe that their employers are not living up to their workers' comp responsibilities should consult with a lawyer about asserting their rights through legal action.

Do you have any questions about today's column or about any aspect of Worker's Compensation? At the Law Offices of Phillips & Donahue, our attorneys have years of experience dealing a wide variety of personal injury issues, including those that deal with Worker's Compensation. We take this sort of case on a contingency basis, which means you don't pay a fee until you get a recovery. If you have questions, please call (781) 834-4500 or email phill569@aol.com. Our office is located at 769 Plain St., Marshfield.

HINT: In nearly all lawsuits, motions should be considered at every stage of litigation as useful tools for furthering your case.

PICTURE THIS

August 'Gus' Lagsdin

Name: August "Gus" Lagsdin.

Occupation: I'm a kid!

Best day of your life: So far, going to Michigan with mommy to watch Uncle Chad's football game.

Best (or worst) vacation: Lake Michigan in the summer (best)

Favorite season: Whenever it snows!

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite snack: Pretzels & cream cheese.

Best book: "If I Built A Car."

Best movie: Monsters University.

Best TV show: Americas Funniest Home Videos.

Best music, group, or artist: "Uptown Funk", Bruno Mars.



Gus Lagsdin, pictured here outside the library, completed the "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" challenge in less than 1 year! For every 100 books recorded on his reading log, Gus received a sticker denoting how many books he had read and a free book for his home library. When he reached the goal of 1,000 he received a sticker for his log, a book and a book bag for future library use. 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a program designed to encourage parents to start reading to their children as early as possible. WICKED LOCAL PHOTO BY MARY FORD

Persons you'd most like to meet: Tom Brady and Gronk.

Biggest worry: The back float.

Best part of Cohasset: Nona's at the beach.

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MASTER PLAN

Assisting residents with Master Plan survey

In order to make sure that all Cohasset residents have an opportunity to participate in the Master Plan survey, Cohasset Elder Affairs is offering assistance. The Town's Master Plan

Survey is available online at cohassetma.org. Residents who do not have access to, or are not comfortable using a computer, CEA will provide the equipment and guidance necessary to

navigate the survey. In addition, CEA will make printed copies available for those who would prefer to complete a paper version.

This is a chance for all citizens to make their

thoughts heard, and to have input into the future of the community. For more information, call 781-383-9112 or visit Cohasset Elder Affairs at Willcutt Commons, 91 Sohier St.

COHASSET ELDER AFFAIRS

Brown Bag Lunch features 'Finest Hours'

Cohasset Elder Affairs is located at Willcutt Commons, 91 Sohier St. All events and activities will be held in that location unless otherwise noted. The center offers tours for visitors. For information, call 781-383-9112.

Brown Bag Lunch and Movie, "The Finest Hours": 11:30 a.m. Aug. 29. Based on the true story of one of the U.S. Coast Guard's most daring rescues. Partially filmed in Cohasset. Join us to watch the show on the big screen. Bring your own lunch. We'll provide the popcorn and soda. Free.

Reiki Sessions: 1-2:40 p.m. Aug. 17. Call for a 15-minute appointment. This alternative method, Japanese technique reduces stress and promotes wellness, via a "laying of the hands." Appointments necessary. Cost is \$3.

Visit with Manny: 12:40 p.m.

Aug. 23. Stop in to say hi to our new four-legged friend Manny, a therapy dog certified through Tufts Veterinary Medical School, who loves people. He'll be here monthly for a nuzzle and a pat. Join us for lunch. Lunch reservations requested no less than 24-hours in advance. \$3.

End of the Summer Party: noon Aug. 30. Celebrate the last of the lazy, hazy days of summer with trio "New Orleans Connection." Great music with talented musicians on sax, banjo and drums. Reservation required no later than August 25. \$5 lunch.

Hand Meridian: 2:15-4 p.m. Aug. 31. Meridians are pathways in the body along which vital energy is said to flow. Massage and pressure to these points opens the flow of energy to allow for healing and to help maintain a healthy physical, mental and energetic body. 50-minute whole body session for \$60 or 10-minute

hands-only, \$8.

Lunch schedule and menu

Lunches are served at noon Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Reservations required 24 hours in advance. Meals provided by local restaurants and Cohasset cooks. Cost: \$3.

Tuesday, Aug. 16: Chef Whit, chicken casserole
Wednesday, Aug. 17: Lunch at the Bridgeway. No lunch at Willcutt.
Thursday Aug. 18: Chef Launch, ham casserole
Ongoing programs
Cohasset Café: Mondays, 9-11 a.m. Coffee, conversation and fresh baked treats provided by The Friends of Cohasset Elder Affairs. Cost: \$3.

French Conversation: 10 a.m. Mondays. Looking

to improve your French? Informal gatherings for those less-than-expert. Drop in.

Mary's Morning Exercise: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 a.m. Stretch, strengthening and cardio with Mary Sullivan.

Veterans services hours: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 2-4 p.m.; Tuesdays, 2-6 p.m.

Senior Stretch and Conditioning Class: Mondays, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Follow the instruction of an exercise therapist to improve upper and lower body strength, endurance, and flexibility. Cost per class is \$5.

Gentle Yoga, Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. Wear comfortable clothing. Bring a mat. At Willcutt Commons, 91 Sohier St. Cost: \$5.

Mary's Yoga: Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m. Class taught by Mary Ernst.

Gentle Chair Yoga: 1 p.m. Wednesdays. This class focuses on increasing mobility. Cost: \$5.

Bridge: Wednesdays, 1-4 p.m. Bring your own foursome.

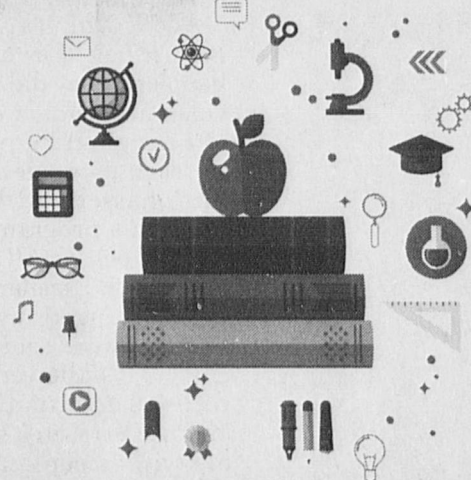
Yoga/Meditation: Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. Taught by Amy DiIullo and Jen Willms. Class is half yoga and half meditation. Learn relaxation techniques that can be used any time. Drop-in class. Cost: \$5. **This class is suspended until September.**

Book Club, Second Friday of the month, 10 a.m.

Zumba Gold: 10 to 11 a.m. Fridays. Zumba Gold incorporates dance/fitness routines set to Latin and international rhythms but is performed at a lower intensity than regular Zumba. Great for cardio, range of motion and balance. Cost: \$5. This class is suspended until September.

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South Shore Tide Chart

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AUGUST 2016		HIGH				LOW				SUNRISE	SUNSET
		AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.	AM	HGT.	PM	HGT.		
Thursday	11	6:07	7.8	6:28	8.5			12:05	1.5	5:46	7:48
Friday	12	7:02	7.7	7:20	8.5	12:43	1.4	12:57	1.7	5:47	7:47
Saturday	13	7:57	7.7	8:13	8.7	1:37	1.3	1:50	1.6	5:48	7:46
Sunday	14	8:51	7.8	9:04	8.9	2:31	1.1	2:42	1.4	5:49	7:44
Monday	15	9:42	8.1	9:54	9.3	3:22	0.7	3:33	1.1	5:51	7:43
Tuesday	16	10:30	8.4	10:41	9.6	4:10	0.3	4:21	0.8	5:52	7:41
Wednesday	17	11:15	8.8	11:27	10.0	4:56	-0.1	5:09	0.3	5:53	7:40
Thursday	18	11:59	9.2			5:41	-0.5	5:55	-0.1	5:54	7:38

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POLICE BEAT

Rear-end accident by Avalon sends one to hospital

By Mary Ford
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MVC

A 44-year-old Cohasset man complaining of neck and back pain was transported to the hospital following a two-car, rear-end collision on King Street (Route 3A) by Avalon on Friday (Aug. 5) around 8:38 p.m.

Police said the Cohasset man, who was driving a 2012 Chevrolet Cruze, was headed north and had stopped to turn left onto Avalon Drive when he was hit from behind by a 2012 Nissan Murano, driven by a 69-year-old Cohasset man.

Both cars were towed and the driver of the

Nissan was cited for following too closely on a state highway.

Boy on bike hit by vehicle

A 13-year-old Hull boy was traveling down Norfolk Road at a high rate of speed and when he entered the intersection of Cushing Street to attempt a left, he rode into the side of a 2009 pickup truck, operated by a 57-year-old Pembroke woman. There were witnesses to the accident that occurred at around 3:35 p.m. on Wednesday (Aug. 3).

The boy was wearing a helmet, did not have to be transported to the hospital and was delivered to his parents. The bike had

damage to the front wheel.

Warrants of Apprehension

Police served two Warrants of Apprehension in Cohasset last week involving the subjects' family members going to court to have the individuals involuntarily committed for substance abuse reasons. One of the people was a 51-year-old woman and the other, a 25-year-old man.

Gas line cut

On Tuesday (Aug. 2), workers cut an unmarked gas line on Jerusalem Road near West Corner. The Fire Department responded along with

National Grid to stop the leak and repair the line. Some residents could smell gas but no one had to be evacuated.

Village mishap

A 17-year-old Cohasset girl in a 2001 Honda sedan was headed north on S. Main Street when she pulled into a parking space in front of French Memories around 2:55 p.m. on Tuesday (Aug. 2). Police said her foot apparently slipped off the brake pedal and onto the gas pedal. The car lurched forward hitting a metal chair and a flowerpot, which were pushed against the building.

The building inspector arrived and determined

there was no damage to the building. There was minor damage to the car, which was towed. The girl was not injured, police said.

Hit & Run

A 67-year-old Hingham woman reported to police on Tuesday evening (Aug. 2) that someone had apparently backed into the side of her car and left while she was parked on Highland Avenue near St. Stephen's Church. There was minor damage to the door of the 2004 Lexus sedan. Police checked with neighbors in the area who did not see anything. A report was filed that the woman can send to her insurance company.

MVC

Police responded to a two-car accident at Beechwood Street and Chief Justice Cushing Highway (3A) at around 12:28 p.m. on Thursday (Aug. 4). A 25-year-old Scituate woman in a 2011 Volvo sedan was attempting a left turn out of Leo's Gulf to head toward Scituate when she pulled into the path of a 2003 Honda sedan, driven by a 53-year-old Hingham woman, in the passing lane on Route 3A. The Scituate woman was cited for failure to yield to oncoming traffic. Neither vehicle was towed and there were no reported injuries.

UPDATE

Hugo's returning to the Harbor

By Amanda C. Thompson
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The latest intel says that Cohasset Harbor restaurants will open for business, starting next weekend. Owner Gerd Ordelheide had hoped to open by August 12, but he changed plans on the 10th, stating that the transition was "too complex" and he was still ironing out the employee situation.

The day before, he had posted a notice on Facebook saying that he was looking for employees.

It's unclear how the restaurants would have opened to the public this weekend, even if they were fully staffed, since there are five functions booked at the establishments between August 12 and 14.

But while the details of the opening are shrouded in speculation, there are a few facts worth noting.

First, contrary to some rumors, the purchase has definitely gone through;

Ordelheide inked the papers on Thursday, August 4. Adopting these restaurants was a nine-month process that he initiated in November 2015.

Ordelheide celebrated its completion with a post that said, "Hallelujah! ...Mission accomplished." This quickly met with a flood of congratulations and well-wishes.

The second thing that's certain is that Ordelheide will be reverting to Atlantica's former name, Hugo's. On Tuesday, he shared the new menu bearing the old Hugo's logo via the Facebook group Cohasset 143.

According to the post, the new Hugo's will share a menu with the Olde Salt House and the Red Lion Inn - much to the public's dismay. Three restaurants with the same menu? Some commenters called it "suicide." Many lamented the loss of beloved bar food at Atlantica and the casual outdoor patio offerings, such as fish tacos, from Olde Salt House.

But most lamented of all were the prices.

"Too expensive!" many declared.

"Looks like they are catering to the well-heeled crowd," said one poster, while others said they would just take their kids to the 99 in Hingham - even if the menu gets old, "their prices can't be beat."

The new Hugo's menu lists a gourmet baked lobster entrée at \$36 and a roast prime rib of beef au jus at \$34. A cup of chowder will run you \$8 for a small or \$10 for a large. A pan-seared salmon is available for \$24. Appetizers are in the \$15 range.

Ordelheide responded that he would keep the Olde Salt House and Brisa menus the same for now but did not comment on the price point. Diners will just have to check it out for themselves when the restaurants open.

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HOUSING

From Page A1

affordable standards. For Cohasset, that means about 300 of its 3,000 dwellings. The town is just barely meeting that standard.

Where Cohasset falls short is in affordable family housing. Most of its affordable units, apart from the Avalon complex, are part of the senior citizen housing development, owned by the Housing Authority off Elm Street.

Chapter 40B, also known as the Comprehensive Permit Law, is a state statute created in 1969, which aims to increase the stock of affordable housing in municipalities where

less than 10 percent of the housing stock is defined as affordable (accessible to low and moderate income levels).

In other words, if Cohasset can't start providing more affordable options on its own, the state could step in and force a 40B development that may or may not fit with the character of the town.

"This is a way for us to create 40B housing by the Town instead of having it forced on the Town," Selectman Steve Gaumer stated previously.

The steering committee will begin by making a comprehensive five-year review of the Town's housing stock and projecting affordable housing needs.

It will work with selectmen to develop an affordable housing policy and statement of objectives.

Then, it will gather information about development and funding opportunities and bring proposals to the board of selectmen. Together, they will decide which opportunities to bring before the community at Annual Town Meeting.

Finally, once the community has agreed on a project, the committee will coordinate with the Affordable Housing Trust to administer funds and bring projects to fruition.

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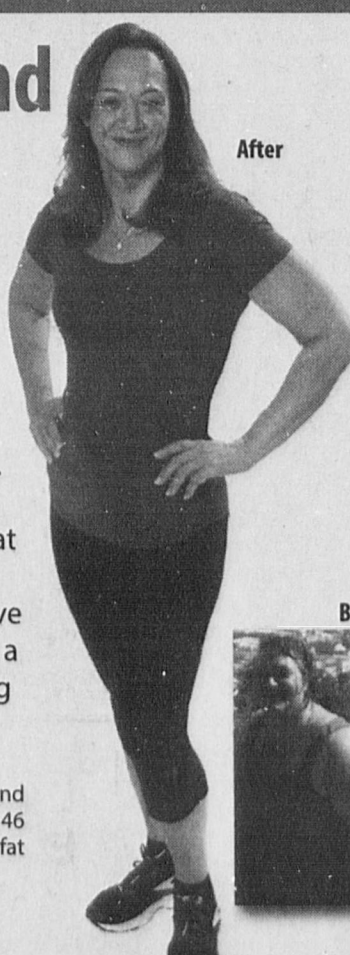
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SAILING CLUB



Frankie Agostino, 12, waves the Brazilian flag. The children are divided up into countries for Fun Day on Monday. Agostino is on team Brazil.



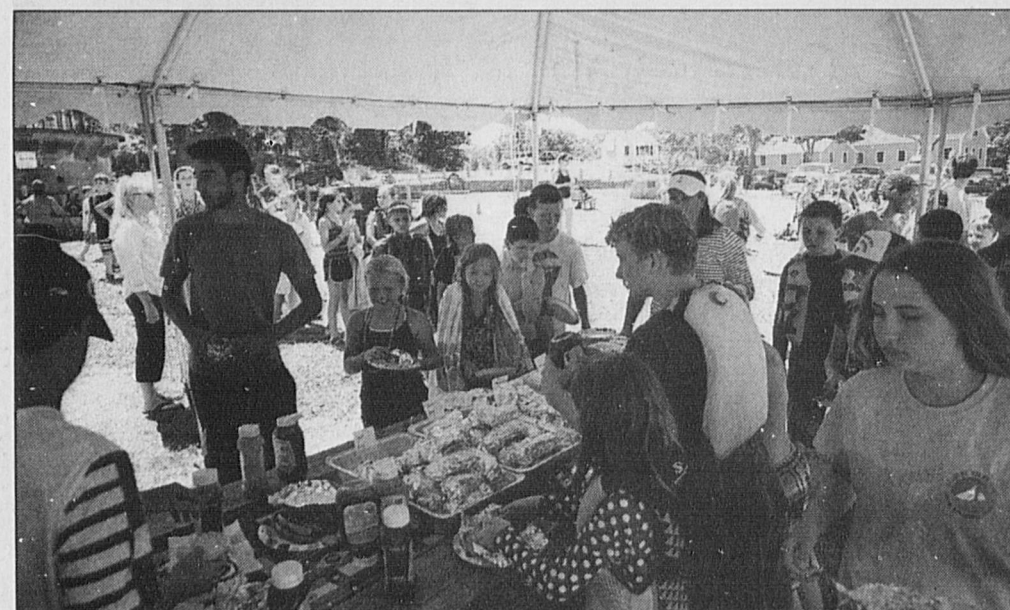
Reid Nussbaum, 11, cheers for his team, Canada during the bucket race.

Annual Fun Day!

Staff photos By Alyssa Stone



Finn Yemini, 9, spins around in the dizzy bat relay race.



Children, counselors and parents enjoy a barbeque lunch at the annual Cohasset Sailing Club Fun day.



Eamon Maxwell, 9, dumps water on Finn Yemini, 9, during drip-drip-drop.



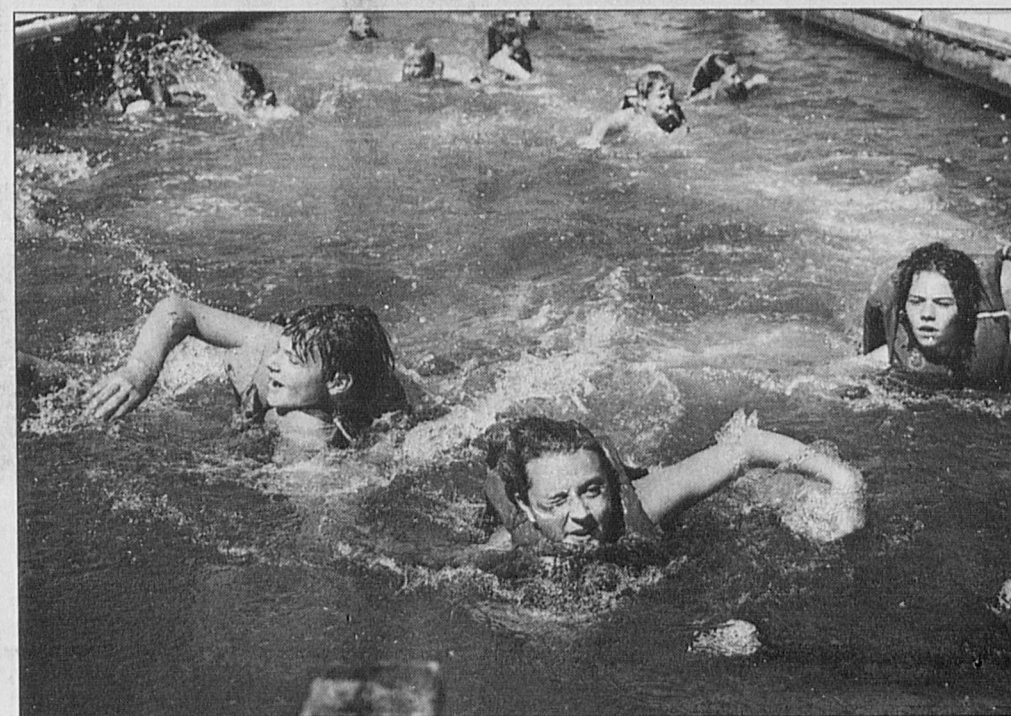
Leesil Gilbert, 12, races towards her team's bucket as water pours out of the holes in her bucket.



Becca Palmer, 11, chases after Wade Puzella, 11, who stole her team's flag in a game of Capture the Flag.



Teams race towards the greased up watermelon. Whichever team brings the "greased pig" over to their opponents dock first wins the round.



Genevieve Littlejohn, 13, swims towards her goal line with the greased watermelon.



Henry Griffin, 12, cheers after his team wins a round of "greased pig." Griffin helped Genevieve Littlejohn, right, launch the watermelon onto the dock for the win.

FARMERS MARKET

Common ground for community

Cohasset Farmers Market is honored to continue the tradition on its town green, every Thursday through Sept 29th, to promote the benefits of locally grown food, sustainable & healthful living, and mindful awareness of tradition, providing an enjoyable experience for all ages. Serving as a community gathering place, town commons, particularly in Massachusetts, often feature landscaped green spaces, seasonal events and observances.

They also serve as historical attractions, as central locations of a community's agricultural- and/or industrial-based birth and development. These town commons can often be traced back to the 18th century roots as, depending on the town green, market places, religious centers, parade grounds, military training grounds and reporting places, burying grounds, and places for cattle and sheep to graze.

When framed by a church with tall white steeple, and historic homes and buildings, the look of a Massachusetts town green can be truly stunning — an instant picture-perfect postcard from New England! Cohasset's Common fits perfectly into that picture!

Location Location

There are many reasons beyond the ice cream and pony rides to frequent the Cohasset Market. Supporting the local farms and small businesses at the Farmers Market means simply that more money stays within your community.

It's no secret that local produce is fresher and tastes better because it is usually sold within shorter times of being picked than in a grocery store. When you visit the market, the farmers' local food keeps us in touch with the seasons. Not everything is available all year round, meaning what is offered at the market is the most abundant, least expensive and at its peak.

Chatting with the people who produce your food, you learn that your food has a



Kathy Detwiler, Owner Buttonwood Books & Toys, ringing the opening bell at the Cohasset Farmers Market. COURTESY PHOTO

story and what is involved to bring it to your table. Chatting with the people who make the crafts, you discover the story of their creativity and passion.

Deeply rooted

The Cohasset market warmly welcomed Kathy Detwiler, Owner and Bill Grace, Book Manager, to its Friends Table at the market in celebration of Buttonwood Books and Toys. For over 26 years, Buttonwood's has sponsored the love of reading, serving the community with books for all ages, toys, author talks and more. During the story time on the Common, Bill held the children's attention with tales of the farm and furry friends' adventures.

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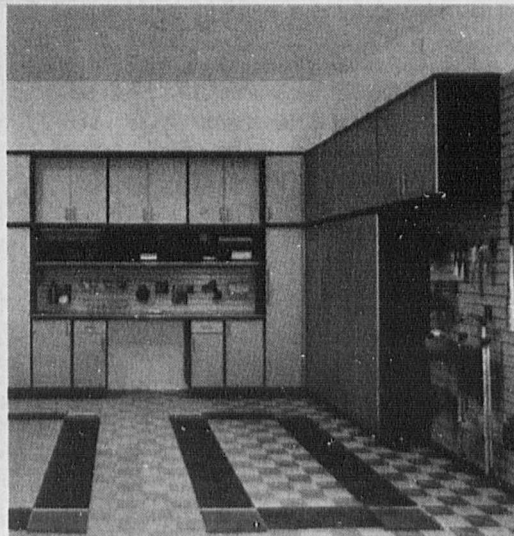
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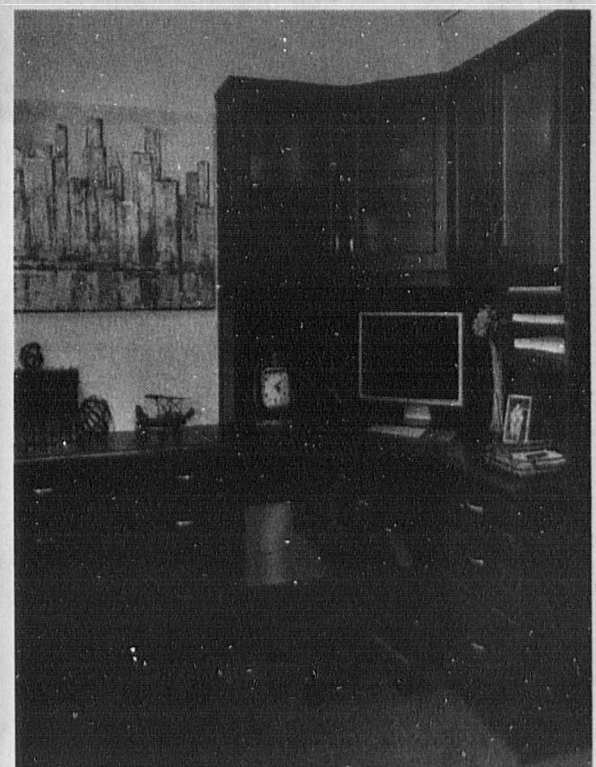
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Fairies, Elves and Troll Quest

For the 2016 season, The Cohasset Conservation Trust is introducing a new, clue-directed Fairies, Elves and Troll Quest through Cohasset's Great Brewster Woods that starts at the edge of the Cohasset Common.

The self-guided 1-mile walk turns nature exploration into a hunt, ending with a treasure box. The new quest, designed by CCT director Katie Holden, challenges residents to find hidden fairies, elves and a troll made from trees, shrubs, lichens and moss found along the trail. The quest is a partnership between the Cohasset Conservation Trust and the South Shore Quests that offers walks on 15 local public lands and parks throughout the area.

"The CCT Quest is a kid-friendly activity that can be enjoyed by the entire family. It is also a perfect way to unplug from the daily routine and connect with nature," said Debbie Shadd, president of the Cohasset Conservation Trust. "The Trust is thrilled to once again be involved in South Shore Quests and introduce the community to Cohasset's spectacular wooded scenery."

The Quest season runs to Nov. 15. Walkers can purchase a South Shore Quest guidebook for \$5 at the CCT's table at the Cohasset Farmer's Market this summer or at Holly Hill Farm. For more information, visit southshore-quests.org.

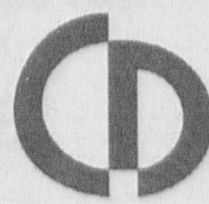
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AROUND TOWN

Stay cool as temps soar

Heat wave

Hi Cohasset. Writing the column today as warnings are being sent out for a "heat emergency" over the next day or two due to extremely high temps, humidity and of course, not much, if any rainfall.

Limit time in the sun, outdoors, have lots of water, remember your sunscreen, keep an eye on neighbors, and the elderly. No children or pets left in cars at all: windows cracked or open, air conditioning on, it doesn't matter just don't do it, please!

As we have said before, the summer has been amazing with sunny days, awesome beach time and pool days and great time for vacations and all. The problem as we know on the flipside is the lack of water! Everything is so dry, dead and defeated looking and even pool owners are struggling now as they cannot be refilled or topped off due to water restrictions.

Please follow all the town's guidelines and save the water as best you can. Enjoy the rest of summer, we cannot change Mother Nature's decisions and by stressing out. Have a great week Cohasset. 1-4-3.

Special award

Hannah Piasecki (Cohasset High School Class of 2014), was just announced as the 2016 recipient of the John W. Ryan Faculty Convocation Award at the University of Massachusetts Boston. The John W. Ryan Award is given to the rising Junior with the highest Grade Point Average.

The Award will be presented to Hannah by the Chancellor of UMass Boston, Keith Motley, at the Fall Convocation Day on Sept. 15. What a great honor Hannah and your



JENNIFER PIEPENBRINK

family and friends are so proud of you and your accomplishments!

Union College

Hats off to **Danielle Fredrick**, of Cohasset on being named to the 2016 Dean's List at Union College. Danielle is a member of the Class of 2016, majoring in Visual Arts.

To be named to the Dean's List, Union students must have a grade point average of 3.5 for the entire year and meet certain other requirements.

UNH honors

The following Cohasset students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the spring semester of the 2015-2016 academic year: **Francesca Genello** earned Honors; **Meredith Spofford** earned High Honors; **Erin Driscoll** earned Highest Honors and **Shelby Silvia** earned High Honors.

Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance. Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

UMass Lowell

Nicholas Lydon of Cohasset, who is majoring in chemical engineering, was named to the dean's list at UMass Lowell for the spring 2016 semester. To qualify for the dean's list at UMass Lowell, a student must have earned at least a 3.25 grade point average. Great work, Nicholas!

Taverna!

On Sat, Aug 20th the Panagia Parish Greek Festival called "Taverna" returns and will be held at the Panagia Church located at 811 Jerusalem Road from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. There will be Greek food, beer/wine, desserts, dinners, games/kids activities, music and fun for the whole family. Grab your families and friends and come on down! (Rain date is Aug. 21).

That is the news for the week Cohasset. I hope you have a great one, take the time for yourself to breathe a bit, enjoy something for yourself, even if just a walk by the beach and reflect and how blessed we are to have what we do around us. 1-4-3 Cohasset! Send in all your news, photos and celebration info to me no later than Tuesdays by 2 pm.

Just an FYI. We receive dean's list and honors notices from many colleges and private schools, but not all. If your son or daughter has earned recognition, please share that news directly with us!

We also LOVE new baby announcements with photos if possible. Need birth date, weight, length, names of siblings, parents and grandparents. Emailed photos are fine but glossies can be dropped off at Tedeschi's in the village in our Mariner drop box.

EMAIL: aroundtowncohasset@yahoo.com

CONSERVATORY NOTES

Save date for Hingham Jazz Fest

By Deborah Edmundson

September is a bitter-sweet month. I love the less-structured summer schedule, vacation time with family and friends, and certainly the warm weather, but I also love the "new year" feel that September brings - the refreshed air, and getting back into my school year routine, even though my kids are no longer living under my roof. And this September I have something more to look forward to - the Hingham Jazz Fest at South Shore Conservatory.

On Sunday, Sept. 25, the Conservatory will be presenting the third annual Hingham Jazz Festival and it will be a blast. Like the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival, jazz here is loosely defined, and encompasses all sorts of music. The day will start with a lively and delicious jazz brunch on the Jane Carr Amphitheater stage from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and continue with ESP Vocal Trio, which features close harmony a cappella jazz standards. Elan Mehler, the pianist who wowed jazz brunch audience members last year, features some original new jazz, while Anthony Geraci, presents blues from his recent award nominated CD Fifty Shades of Blue. Finally, the Conservatory's Jazz/Rock/Pop faculty members celebrating the music of Prince, BB King, David Bowie, Merle Haggard and other artists no longer with us. It's going to be a great day of music, featuring the outstanding faculty of the Conservatory!

The Conservatory's Jazz/Rock/Pop department is near and dear to my heart, and to the hearts of many in Hingham and beyond. My daughters played piano and sang at the Conservatory, after



Emily Browder Melville and her ESP Vocal Trio are one of the featured acts at the South Shore Conservatory's Hingham Jazz Festival on Sept. 25. COURTESY PHOTO

spending several years with me in Mom and Me music classes, and my son began playing percussion with Ed Sorrentino 14 years ago. Will is now a student at Berklee College of Music, majoring in jazz percussion performance. He was encouraged to pursue his music every step of the way. In addition to student recitals, over the years we regularly attended JRP faculty performances, and from those performances came the idea of a jazz festival in Hingham to highlight those amazing players who masquerade as our children's music teachers.

What's your hidden talent? During the day, these men and women look and act like the inspiring music teachers they are, but after a duck into the proverbial phone booth, they reemerge, caped, and we see hugely talented performers. Who knew? There's so much talent hidden in the studios at the Conservatory - in drums, keyboards, guitar, trumpet, bass, winds, and voice. You'd be forgiven for thinking that the Conservatory is only about lessons for your children - that's what a conservatory is, right? But when those teachers

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get a chance to play, really play, what an experience! You don't have to go to Boston, or the Newport Jazz Festival to hear great jazz (loosely defined). If blues is your passion, or free jazz, or jazz standards, or Prince, you'll find your place on Sept. 25.

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South Shore Conservatory's Hingham Jazz Festival, sponsored by Chateau Edmus, is Sunday, Sept. 25, from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased online at: sscmusic.org/hingham-jazz-festival.html or by calling 781-749-7565, ext. 20.

—Deborah Edmundson lives in Hingham. She and her husband Phil own Chateau Edmus.



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GIMME SHELTER

Shy guy Pete is looking for love

By Tammy Hatch

Meet Pete, a 6-7 month old soft, fluffy, gray & white long haired male with white tufts of fur at his ears and paws and eyes so penetrating that when he looks at you it's nearly impossible to break gaze with him. This handsome young man likely has a bit of Maine Coon in him.

Pete and his brother, Jamie, were recently rescued after being found living outside on their own. His brother was adopted shortly after their rescue and Pete quickly befriended another male cat at the shelter who, sadly for Pete, also got adopted. In a short period of time poor Pete has had to deal with the loss of not only his brother, but a shelter mate whom he'd bonded with and very much enjoyed playing with.

Pete hasn't experienced the luxury of knowing what it's like to feel safe and be loved and with all he's been through is reluctant to socialize with the volunteers and visitors. It's absolutely heart wrenching to see Pete covet in the small space he found in his room to hide in.

Still young, what Pete needs is a brand new start at life with an owner or family who will be patient with him and understand that it's going to take him some time to trust and come out of his shell and into his own. Though it may take him some time to warm up, we think Pete would do well if he was



Pete, who is a handsome young guy, will overcome his shyness once he adapts to a loving home. COURTESY PHOTO

adopted to a home with another young male cat. Pete is waiting to meet you!

You can learn more about Pete as well as the other cats and kittens we have available for adoption by visiting us online at www.hsar.org or by visiting us at 487 Nantasket Ave., Hull. Open hours are Monday nights, 6:30 to 7:30, and Saturdays, 2 to 3 p.m. If these times are not convenient for you, special appointments can be made by calling our adoption coordinator, Judy, at 781-534-4902.

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at www.hsar.org where you can learn about our next fundraiser, a giant parking lot yard sale on Saturday, Sept. 24. Start setting aside items to donate that you no longer want or need so that bargain hunters will find great deals and help out the cats at the same time. Also check out our new "Hats for Cats" which you can order on-line. At just \$16 these hot hats will keep you cool this summer.

Tammy Hatch is a Volunteer and Board Member at Hull Seaside Animal Rescue

SCITUATE SHELTER

Dine out for dogs and cats!

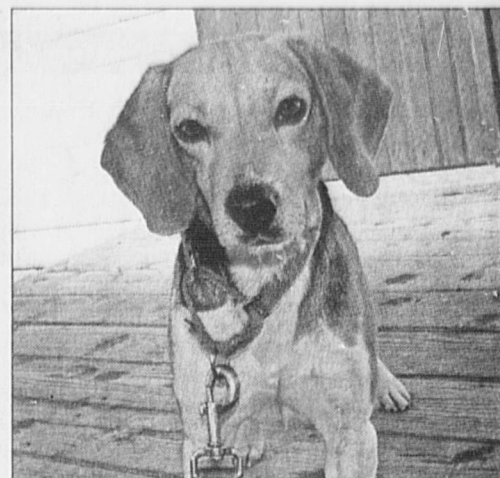
Animals lovers: how would you like to help the homeless pets of the South Shore just by enjoying a nice meal at a favorite local restaurant? On Aug. 23rd, you can do just that.

Dine Out for Dogs & Cats is a promotion by The Scituate Animal Shelter together with some of the area's best known -- and best loved -- restaurants, including Jake's in Hull, Orta in Pembroke, and Riva in Scituate.

Because each of the participating restaurants has agreed to a sizable donation to the Shelter and its programs, customers who dine at one of the participating restaurants on Tuesday, evening Aug. 23rd, are helping to ensure that their meal will help to raise money for the needy animals of the community.

Formerly homeless Shelter 'alumni' will even be on hand to greet diners as they arrive outside of the participating restaurants.

The Scituate Animal Shelter receives no town or state funding and must raise every dime it spends. Aside from its shelter, which found homes for 440 animals last year, the charity operates a pet food



Formerly homeless, Guinness will be on hand to greet diners at Riva. COURTESY PHOTO

pantry, low cost spay/neuter and vaccination clinics for the community, and helps to prevent homelessness by aiding seniors and disabled community members with their pets' needs.

For information: Scituate Animal Shelter 781-544-4533
Dine at Riva: 781-545-5881; Orta: 781-826-8883; Jake's: 781-925-1024.

SAVE THE DATE

Historical Society to host clambake

The Cohasset Historical Society announces that the popular "Clambake" will be held on Saturday, Sept. 10th with a rain date of Sunday Sept. 11th.

Beginning at 4 p.m., on Sandy Beach, the event will feature the traditional Clambake menu including clam chowder, steamed clams, lobster, BBQ chicken, corn-on-the-cob, quahog stuffing, caesar salad, brown bread and rolls, as well as watermelon, cookies and bars for dessert. Beer and wine are included. Live music provided by Peter Lindfors group, "Line Drive" will add to the festive atmosphere.

The cost for all this fun, food, and festivity is \$125 per person, and can be paid by check, made out to the Cohasset Historical Society and mailed to the Cohasset Historical Society, PO Box

627, Cohasset, MA. 02025. Reservation and payment can also be accomplished using PayPal via the website at: cohassethistoricalsociety.org/events. The reservation deadline, Thursday, Sept. 1st.

The mission of the Cohasset Historical Society is to collect, preserve and present the history of Cohasset. One of the three properties owned by the Historical Society is the Maritime Museum, built in the 1700's as a ship's chandlery, or marine supply store, by Samuel Bates a prominent sea captain and businessman. In the 1880s, Clarence Walker Barron, the owner of Dow Jones and the Wall Street Journal, purchased the property. For a while it was used for boat storage and then as an art studio.

In 1954, his granddaughter, Jessie Cox, and her husband, William, gave the

building to the Society. In 1957, it was moved from Border Street to its current location at 4 Elm St. next to another of the Historical Society's properties, The Captain John Wilson House. The chandlery was opened as a museum in 1960 and for the past 56 years has been presenting artifacts dedicated to Cohasset's long history as a maritime community.

The Maritime Museum and the Captain John Wilson House are open mid-June through the end of August, Wednesday to Friday 1 to 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Society's headquarters, housing an archive of more than 20,000 items, is located at 106 South Main St. and is open year-round, Monday to Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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OUR VIEW

Being an informed voter

Here at the Cohasset Mariner we will endeavor to do our best to clarify two races in the Sept. 8th Primary: the run for State Senate for the Plymouth-Norfolk District and State Representative for the Third Plymouth District.

What is on the ballot cannot be changed even though it no longer reflects the true nature of those races. So what makes both contests confusing is two candidates — whose names are on the Democrat ballot — are not running for that office.

Garrett Bradley of Hingham stepped down from the Third Plymouth District after the deadline to withdraw his name from the contest. Joan Meschino of Hull was running for the State Senate — but is now running a sticker campaign for Bradley's former Representative seat although her name still appears as running for State Senate. That means the Meschino supporters should not fill in the bubble next to her name in the senate category but write her name in, in the state representative category.

Adding to possible confusion is a host of candidates has launched write-in or sticker campaigns as democrats, republicans and one for United Independent

Party. More names are being added all the time — so we won't list them here! Please note, a write-in candidate needs at least 150 votes to be considered as a candidate for the Nov. 8 general election.

The hope is that voters will make a choice on Sept. 8. It is critical, in our view, that the voters pay attention to these races and decide.

For example, if Bradley, a Democrat, should win the Representative race for his party in the primary — Bradley's possible successor would be decided by Democrat party officials, not by the voters. How can that happen? Bradley was a popular state representative and voters, who are not informed, might vote for him because his name is on the ballot. If he should get the most votes Sept. 8, an executive committee of the Democratic State Committee would nominate a replacement whose name would be on the ballot in November.

We think it is exciting that we have several candidates throwing their hats into the ring to represent us on Beacon Hill. But we need to pay attention and be informed when we go to the polls on Sept. 8 to ensure that our votes will set the stage for the Nov. 8 general election.

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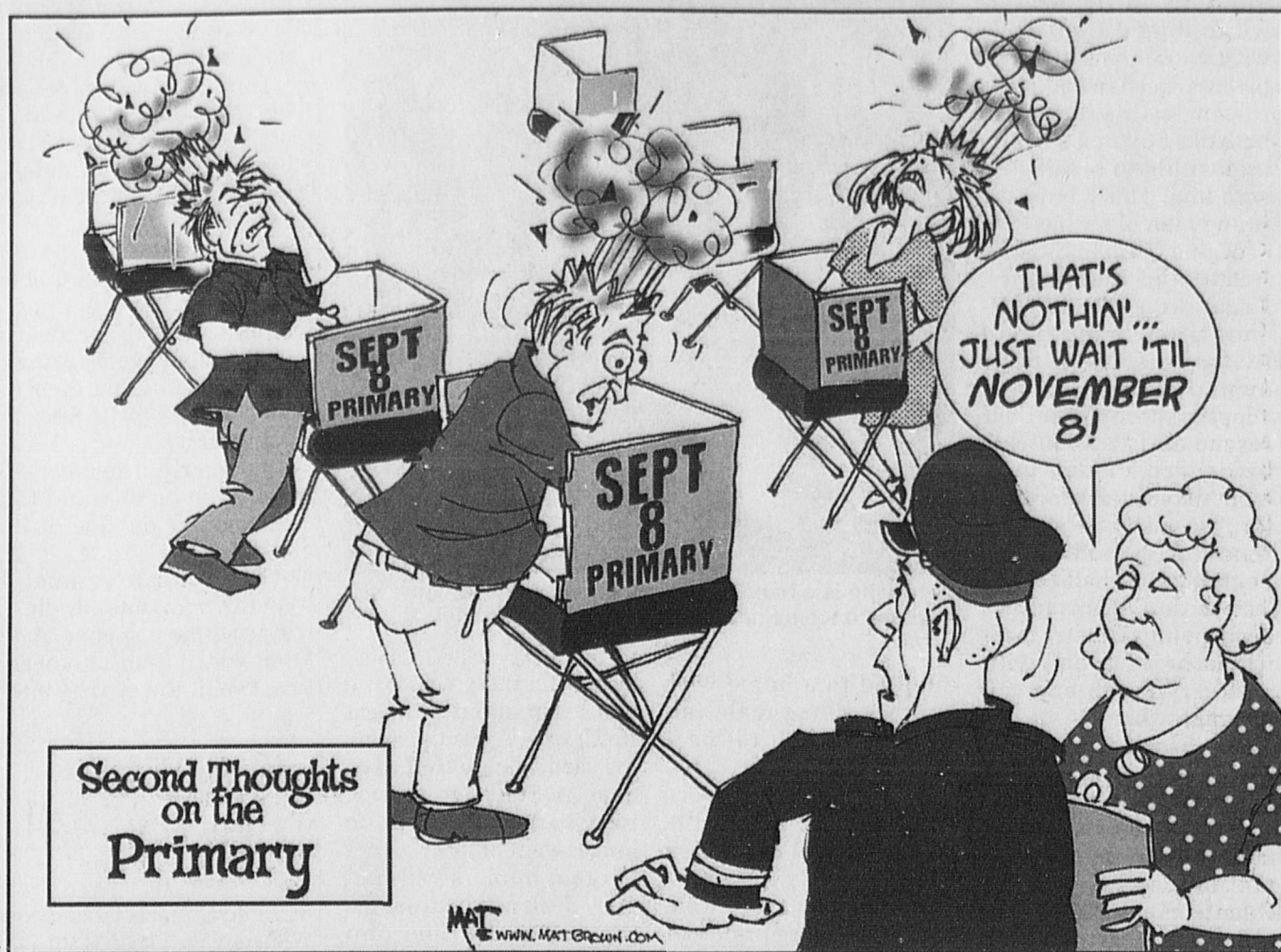
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TOWN NEWS

Making inroads into construction plans

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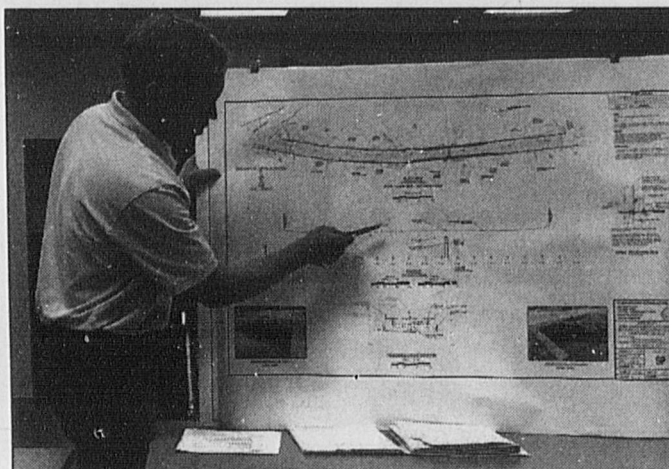
Three Cohasset roadways will be undergoing construction this year, Town Engineer Brian Joyce reported to selectmen on Tuesday, August 9.

In September and October, the Jerusalem Road causeway will be raised out of the five-year flood plain, meaning that residents of that area won't have to take a detour every time the water rises — just if there is a major storm event like a hurricane.

The causeway will be raised by a maximum of two feet in some places, with the additional material tapering into the existing roadway at both ends.

The road will experience a full closure during parts of construction. This does impact bus routes. The Town has coordinated with the schools to ensure that students' transportation needs are still met during the project.

No property takings or easements are required. The permitting took about two years but is now complete; teams are just waiting on the delivery of a culvert, anticipated to arrive in early September. The whole ordeal



Town Engineer Brian Joyce shows selectmen a plan for Jerusalem Road causeway construction. COURTESY PHOTO

is expected to take only eight weeks.

Although the construction window is small, the project is a big one. Without the causeway, there will be no detour route available when Cunningham Bridge gets closed for construction next summer.

The Cunningham Bridge project does require easements, and Joyce reported that the Town is still figuring out exactly what it needs to request from abutters to get the job done.

On the bright side, Town Manager Chris Senior reported that the state has been receptive to a letter sent by the selectmen earlier in the season, expressing concerns about traffic

disruption, public safety access, and aesthetic design of the bridge and railings.

Stay tuned for more information on Cunningham Bridge as it becomes available.

Finally, the Bound Brook Bridge replacement project has been awarded to New England Building and Bridge. Construction was supposed to start this month, but because the project will impact the waterway for four to five months, some environmental restrictions will have to be waived.

Environmental regulations say that work impacting a waterway has to happen between June 30 and August 30 or November 15 through February 15 because of fish

migration. But there aren't any fish in Bound Brook, so officials are hopeful that they will get the go-ahead to start work on the culvert soon.

If the restrictions aren't lifted, then construction will have to wait until November, which could mean single-lane traffic and snowy weather will coincide. The Town would also have to install a temporary fish ladder, which could add more than \$100,000 to the project cost. For fish that don't exist.

Snow isn't the only reason officials want to get a move on. If they wait another year on this project, then there will be fish, because the Mordecai Lincoln dam in Scituate is coming down next year and the fish run is being restored. Then they'll definitely need that temporary fish ladder.

"Getting this done now is critical," said Senior. "Not to do it now is to damage the future restoration of a habitat."

Joyce projected the odds were better than 50-50 that restrictions would be lifted so that construction could begin immediately.

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UPDATE

Still time to take Master Plan survey

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Here's a fun weekend activity: grab your husband/wife/kids, gather round the picnic table (or the air conditioner), and take the Cohasset Master Plan survey!

All right, it's not Six Flags or Martha's Vineyard or the beach, but the survey is important, and it doesn't have to feel like a chore. Do you think the town needs sidewalks, affordable housing, or better zoning bylaws? More public art? Less development along the coast?

Now is your chance to say so!

Planning Board Chairman Clark Brewer reported that, although the online survey has been live for over a month, only about 5 percent of residents have responded so far. He was hoping for at least double that, for the purely obvious reason that it just isn't fair to let 5 percent of the population decide the entire future of a community.

The survey has to wrap up in September because the Planning Board needs to collate the results in time for Special Town Meeting. At the meeting, the board will present the final report for phase

one of the Master Planning process, including results of this survey and a visioning session held in March.

The open-ended questions provide plenty of opportunities to make comments and suggestions on a variety of issues facing Cohasset, such as open space and economic development (the top two local concerns, according to discussions so far).

Schools, taxes and finance, activities, 3A development, diversity, and sidewalks will be other major topics for discussion.

Because the 46 questions are mostly short-answer style,

not multiple choice, set aside about half an hour to complete the survey so you can really give it some thought. The survey is 100 percent anonymous unless you choose to identify yourself at the end.

The best part is you can do it right from your iPad or smart phone, so you don't even have to miss out on the summer weather to help make a difference in the future of your community!

To take the survey, visit CohassetMA.org.

—Follow Amanda on Twitter for updates: @MarinerAmandaT

TOWN CLERK

Absentee ballots available, voter registration

■ Absentee Ballots are now available at the Town Clerk's office for the state primary, scheduled for Sept. 8. Only those voters who will be absent from Cohasset during polling hours, or who may have a physical disability, or whose religious beliefs prevent them from coming to the polls, may vote absentee. To obtain an Absentee Ballot, residents must fill out

an application with a valid signature for each voter, along with the address as to where the ballot should be mailed. An Absentee Ballot application can be obtained online at mass.gov or at the Town Clerk's office. The Town Clerk's office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesdays; and from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Fridays. All Absentee Ballots must be applied for before noon on Sept. 7.

■ The Town Clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Aug. 19 for voter registration. Residents who wish to vote in the Sept. 8 state primary must be registered to vote or change party affiliation by that date. Only those not registered to vote in

Cohasset, or those who have moved from one address in Cohasset to another or wish to change their party enrollment will need to register. Voters enrolled as "Unenrolled" will remain so after choosing a ballot at the polls.

—For questions, call the Town Clerk's office at 781-383-4100, ext. 106.

VIEW FROM THE FRONT PORCH

Unsolicited advice for those heading to college

Parents and other old folks please step aside; this column is for the young adults getting ready to head off to college. Wait before you go, if you know someone preparing to head off to school, perhaps you might share this as the odds are they won't read it otherwise and then this amazing unsolicited sage wisdom would be wasted.

Okay future college students the rest of this column is for you and you only. I am sure by now you are completely advised out, a bit on edge and the last thing you need or want is someone else telling you what you should or should not do when you get to college. So I won't. What you do at while away at school is your call.

The following are just some ideas that I got from a wonderfully diverse group of people, and I thought you might find it a bit entertaining. There's an old expression about a big fish in a small pond and small fish in a big pond. To that extent, you've all been living in a fishbowl and there's an ocean of opportunities waiting for you.

■ College is your time to be free, but it's not the time to be unaware.

■ Always remember, you are now working on your job resume and your life resume. Have a ton of fun, but when you graduate, you'll have to be ready to present your college years in a manner that will get you hired.

■ There are three parallel learning paths in college; academic, life and involvement. All are important, but if you fail academics the other two are moot.

■ Becoming actively involved builds your resume.



JOHN MCSHEFFREY

So many school activities provide hands on management experience, the opportunity to work with real budgets and the demand for actual results. A strong GPA is good, a strong GPA augmented by real experience is much better.

■ Believe it or not, the friends you make in college may very well be the closest friends you'll ever have in your life.

■ You have a clean slate. What you did or did not do the past many years is behind you. You hold your own destiny for being who you want to be.

■ Get out of your comfort zone. Introduce yourself and make friends with people who are different from you in culture, religion, race, and language. You don't have to agree with everyone, but accepting other idea and providing others a chance to accept you will make you a better person.

■ Your reputation can be etched by stupid behavior first semester. Don't allow yourself to become known as the 'clown', the 'jack-ass', the 'drunk', the 'snob', the 'trampoline' or anything other term that is associated with acting poorly.

■ If you are a liberal arts major, take at least two business courses before you graduate. The value of having a rudimentary understanding for business will help you no matter what path you take

in life.

■ If you are a business major, ensure that you take a sociology and a philosophy course. Compassion for and understanding of the world around you will provide you a better perspective on how to do your job.

■ Actively support a cause. Learn what it's like to lead and to make decisions.

■ You cannot build a resume by looking at your phone.

■ Figuring out what to eat, when you don't like what's in the cafeteria is an important skill.

■ Respect how you look and where you live because if you don't, no one else will.

■ Clean clothes are crucial. As much as you think it could happen, the clothes on the bottom of the laundry pile don't magically become clean.

■ Make your bed and keep the bathrooms clean. Learning this lesson the hard way isn't very pretty.

■ Take the dorm room security deposit very seriously.

■ The room four doors down, most likely doesn't want to hear your music ... no matter how awesome it is.

■ Late night pizza tastes really freaking good, but it gets expensive and your money has to last all year.

■ Exercise is a great way to meet others and to keep your mind fresh.

■ If you don't get along with your roommate, talking about it with countless others can be counterproductive. Discretion is an extremely important trait.

■ If you are off to school and leaving a significant other, who means the world to you; understand that it's possible to miss them and still build a great life

at school. Your new friends don't want to hang around someone pining away to be elsewhere.

■ Doing what will make life easy is hard. Doing what will make life hard is easy.

■ Drinking happens. It can be a ton of fun, but it has to be fun on your own responsible terms.

■ Do not drink on anyone else's terms. You are not a loser, a wimp or anything else for not playing a stupid drinking game that's sole purpose is to make you look like an ass. You getting sick will be funny to others, and you will not get sympathy or support from very many.

■ You know what the difference between the drunk fool who wakes up with a hangover and the drunk fool who has a tragic accident? Luck, that's it, luck. Create your own luck.

■ Social media can be a dangerous thing, especially if you are drinking. Reread this one a few times. Your future employer will find a way to see what's posted about you.

■ How can I put this Guys, no matter how much you drink or how much she drinks, DO NOT step over the line with her physically, and do not tolerate your friends stepping over the line.

■ How can I put this Girls, understand you CANNOT trust guys to adhere to the last point, and you cannot rely on your friends being there for you. You have to have your own back.

■ Have someone else's back. Standing up, when others do not is a sign of greatness. Be great.

■ Take time each week for a parent break. No one knows and loves you more. A half hour on the phone

with a comforting caring voice really really helps. It helps Mom and Dad too. Just remember, texts are not phone calls.

■ Well written letters home encourage letters back, usually with checks in them.

■ When overwhelmed, ask for help. Whether it's trouble understanding something in class, a roommate issue, a financial need, or an emotional crisis; don't try to tough it out. Your college is set up to help you, take full advantage of the services available to you.

■ Get to know your teachers and your RAs; let them get to know you. Be real and be respectful, they hold a lot of power, they can be incredibly helpful and more often than not, they're pretty cool.

■ If you are not reading the book, and doing the work, you are not doing it right.

■ The classes you participate in are the ones that you will learn the most, even at 8 AM in the morning. Professors notice who attends class.

■ The career you didn't know you wanted might be in that class you'd never think you'd want to take.

■ Take the classes that inspire you, being inspired is a great thing. However, don't leave all the hard classes until the end.

■ You cannot have a discussion with a closed mind, especially if it's yours.

■ Opening, challenging and perhaps changing your mind can be really scary. Push yourself to question what you have learned at home. Odds are that you'll find that much of what you value is valuable, but some might be junk.

■ Guess what, college isn't for every 18 year old. If you don't have any idea what you want to do it's okay to step

back and wait, but don't end up doing nothing.

■ In many ways, completing your first two years at community college is a pretty smart idea.

■ Think of each day as a business day with going to class and studying being your job. Establish a schedule and stick to it as best possible. This really makes a difference.

■ Waiting to the last minute isn't a plan.

■ Sleeping isn't a bad thing. Napping instead of being involved is.

■ Internships, volunteering, school activities, local charity work are all options. Great grades can't fill a resume.

■ Stay humble.

■ Laugh, but never at someone else's expense.

■ Embrace, enjoy and cherish your journey, for it will be life altering in oh-so-many wonderful ways.

■ Be ready for a life time of incredible memories, but also make sure you have prepared yourself for the life time ahead.

Much what was shared was shared by current students, former students, parents and others. I am guessing if you asked, most would gladly switch places with you and treasure the caring words. Good luck, know that you have the ability to bring about change in this world, even if it's one corner at a time.

As always, thanks for reading and don't forget to call home, you're missed already.

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IN GOOD FAITH

Let the Games begin

As I write this, the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio are in full swing. Like much of the world, I have tuned in to a few events so far — some biking and swimming and a touch of women's soccer. Also, like much of the world, I lounged on the couch and stuffed my face with food as I watched these world-class athletes put their bodies to the test.

Sure, there's a certain incongruity to it all. But then again, we're Americans! We're world champion arm chair athletes who can eat heroic quantities of junk food while watching the fittest among us exert themselves. Thanksgiving Day has nothing on Super Bowl Sunday for sheer gluttony of spirit. And anyway, I'm sure there was no shortage of baclava as the ancient Greeks followed the flight of their heroes' discuss tosses.

But my point isn't shame and guilt — there's enough of that floating around the atmosphere. It's the difficulty the average person has of relating to Olympic events. And I don't just mean the obscure ones. Sure, most of us don't throw spears around for purposes of self-preservation. Thus the javelin toss seems an odd endeavor. We may have tried our hand at archery during summer camp when we were eleven, but chances are no one would accuse us of being a modern-day Robin Hood.

It's the whole notion of elite-level competition that feels remote. Yes, we hear commentators wax



THE REV. TIM SCHENCK

eloquent about the purity of competition and the human spirit, but most of us are just trying to make it through the day. No one's competing for prizes when it comes to getting dinner on the table or paying for this year's family vacation or tending to an ailing parent. There's no medal for walking the dog or calling a friend who seems depressed or taking a child with an ear infection to the hospital in the middle of the night.

Competition is, in many ways, a luxury item. Something we can do when all our other needs are being met. In suburbia, this might mean training for the local five-mile road race. Maybe this year, if we train really hard and get our speed work in up at the high school track, we can finally beat our next door neighbor.

But for much of the world, competition simply means survival. It means finding enough food and clean water to keep loved ones alive. It means not being crushed by the economic and environmental effects of globalization. It means keeping one's self and family safe from forces of terror and disease.

It's the reason, whatever your country of origin, you can't help but pull for the Refugee Olympic Team. These 10 individuals,

talented athletes across several disciplines, were literally pulled from misery and given a chance to compete in Rio. Their presence doesn't solve the larger global refugee crisis, but it does offer visibility to a difficult and untenable situation. It also puts a human face on the often faceless plight of this particular brand of global human suffering.

As the games go on, I encourage you to listen to their stories. Not just in the NBC, ratings-boost, feel-good way, but the stories that connect these athletes to the larger crisis of human pain and suffering. The ultimate goal isn't athletic victory but the inspiration of hope.

You can always find the divine at work in this life if you open your heart and soul to the stories that lurk beneath the often over-produced surface. Even if you can't relate to, or even name, the five events that comprise the "modern pentathlon."

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LIBRARY CORNER

Writing winning college applications

Paul Pratt Memorial Library, 35 Ripley Road. Call 781-383-1348 for more information or visit cohassetlibrary.org.

Winning College Applications: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Aug. 30. College Counselor Stephanie Sears will present information on how to create a winning college application. This will be Sears' third visit to the library and her talks have been popular with rising seniors and their parents. This event is free and sponsored by The Friends of the Cohasset Library.

Library book group: 10 a.m. Aug. 31. Join the group for coffee and discussion of the book "Mister Pip" by Lloyd Jones.

Hoopla is Here: Cohasset library cardholders are able to download 20 movies, music or ebooks to their tablets or iPads every month for free. That's a lot of digital content to bring to the beach, on vacation, or wherever. Visit hoopladigital.com/home to get started. Call the reference desk if you have questions.

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Reminder: The library asks that residents who

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put things on hold to notify them if an address, phone or email changes. When a hold comes in or if cardholders are late in returning materials, the library will try and make contact. Updating contact information will insure that residents will receive books in a timely manner.

eSequels: Cohasset library cardholders now have access to eSequels an online resource to find the next book in a series. Search by character, location, subject, author or title to find lists of novels in their correct reading sequence. Visit cohassetlibrary.org and click on the eSequels logo to get started.

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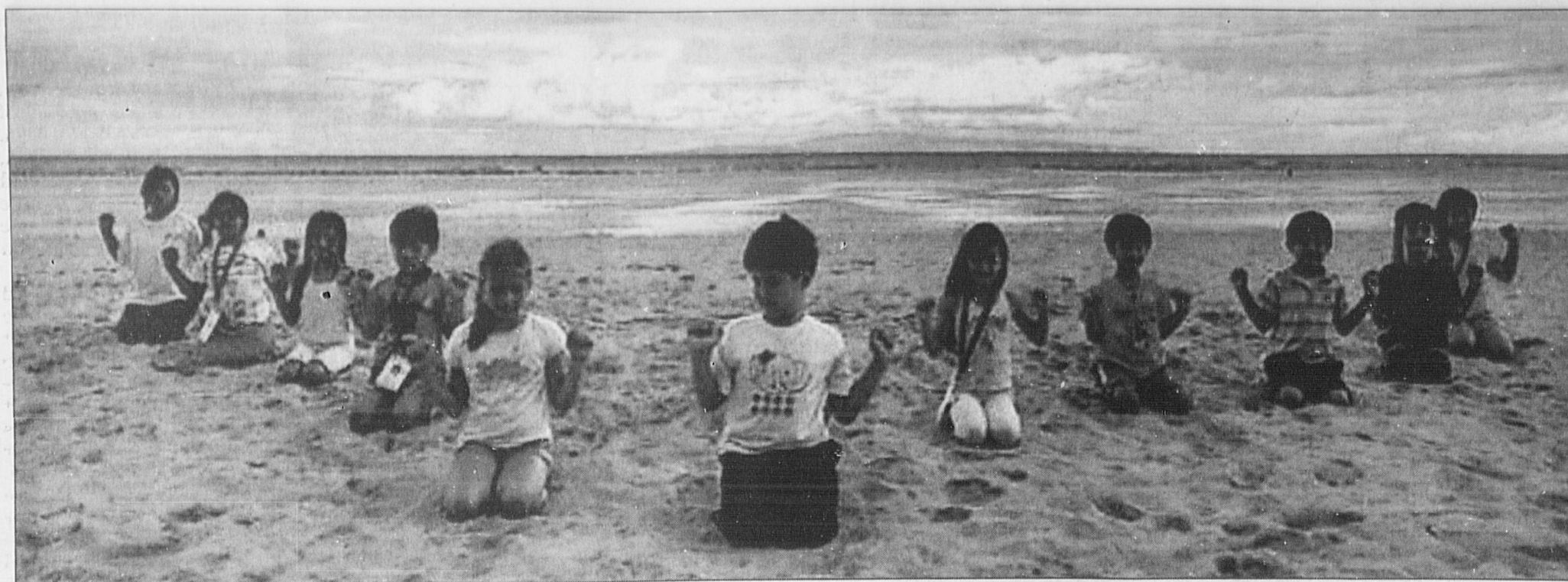
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Online Tools: Discover what the Cohasset library card can do by visiting the website cohassetlibrary.org. Learn a new language with Pronunciator, brush up on skills needed in that new job with Lynda.com, or snuggle down with a good book on a rainy or cold day by borrowing ebooks from Overdrive. Call the reference librarian for help accessing these services.

Homebound Delivery Service: The library is on the road every Tuesday afternoon delivering materials to Cohasset residents of all ages. Call the library at 781-383-1348, and ask for Kristin or Gayle, or send an email to library@cohassetlibrary.org to get started.

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ART Excel students practice breathing techniques. The program reaches children in countries as diverse as India, Poland, Bulgaria and the US. PHOTOS FROM ARTOFLIVING.ORG.

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All of that helps prepare students for high school, college, careers, and life, said Babuschiak.

Babuschiak, a Cohasset resident of two years, didn't invent ART Excel. Like the Art of Living happiness course that changed her life, this program was created by the Art of Living Foundation. Volunteers like Babuschiak just facilitate it. A trained instructor will come from Boston to administer the program.

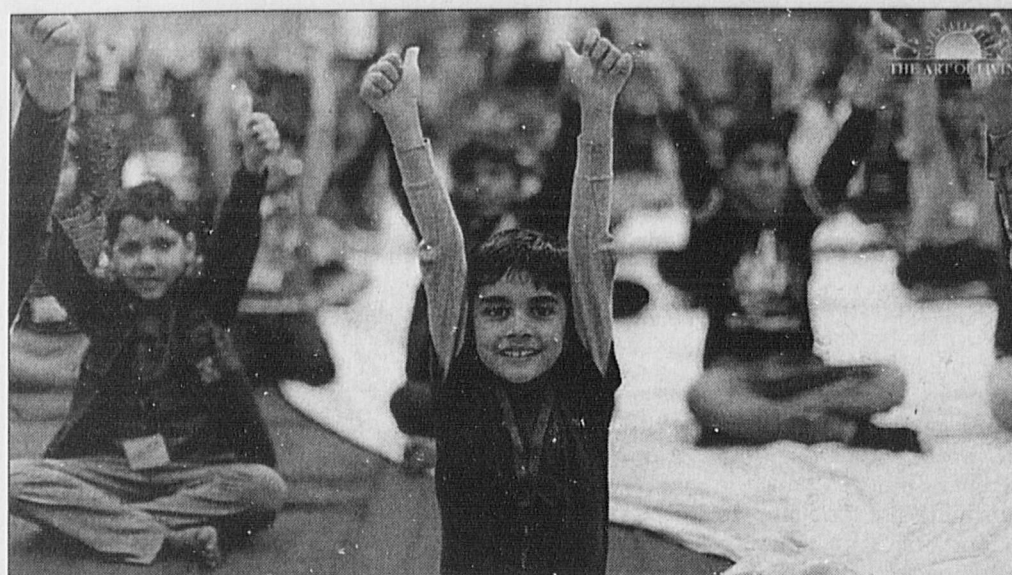
The worldwide non-profit foundation not only offers classes for children, adults, and corporations in over 150 countries; it also supports humanitarian endeavors. Its latest effort is an independent film called "Sold" that aims to expose

the reality of human trafficking in the unlikelyst places.

The foundation also provides programs in prisons and for veterans with PTSD, builds schools around the world, and supports water filtration efforts in places where clean drinking water is a luxury.

ART Excel isn't new to the Boston area. It's been offered in the city for about a year and a half. But Babuschiak's course later this month will mark the program's South Shore debut, at least for the younger demographic. An adult workshop was hosted in Cohasset earlier this year.

Babuschiak hopes that people won't wait as long as she did to give the Art of Living courses a try. A friend told her about it seven years ago when she was living in Texas, but even though she



was practicing yoga, it took Babuschiak a while to get comfortable with the idea of meditation.

"I had the body part but I needed the mind part," Babuschiak explained. "I

take care of myself now, which is something I didn't do before."

To sign up your teen for the Cohasset program on Aug. 25 through 28, contact Angela Babuschiak at

203-464-3342 or by email at ababs@me.com. The four-day program costs \$200.

Queries are also welcome from adults who might like to try the happiness course

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Angela Babuschiak

that changed everything for Babuschiak. She'd like to offer the course in Cohasset if there is enough interest.

"Happiness is a birth-right," said Babuschiak. "It shouldn't be a luxury. People just don't know how to get in there. Peace is within you; you just have to dig deep until you find it."

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senators' and representatives' votes on roll calls from July sessions. Some of the roll calls are from both branches' overrides of some of Gov. Charlie Baker's 256 vetoes of spending and other items in the recently signed \$38.92 billion fiscal 2017 state budget.

CUT \$20,940 FROM STATE ETHICS COMMISSION (H 4450)

House 120-34, Senate 33-6, overrode the governor's veto of \$20,940 (from \$2,093,969 to 2,073,029) for the operation of the state's Ethics Commission. The commission is an independent 5-member state agency that is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the state's conflict of interest and financial disclosure laws.

(A "Yes" vote is for spending the \$20,940. A "No" vote is against spending it.)

Rep. Bruce Ayers	Yes
Rep. Garrett Bradley	Didn't Vote
Rep. Thomas Calter	Yes
Rep. James Cantwell	Yes
Rep. Mark Cusack	Yes
Rep. Josh Cutler	Yes
Rep. David DeCoste	No
Rep. Angelo D'Emilia	No
Rep. Geoff Diehl	No
Rep. Michelle DuBois	Yes
Rep. William Galvin	Yes
Rep. Susan Gifford	No
Rep. Patricia Haddad	Yes
Rep. Randy Hunt	No
Rep. Louis Kafka	Yes
Rep. Ronald Mariano	Yes
Rep. Christopher Markey	Yes
Rep. Matthew Muratore	No
Rep. James Murphy	Yes
Rep. William Straus	Yes
Rep. Walter Timilty	Yes
Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	No
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	No
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

CUT ENTIRE \$1 MILLION FOR "REACH OUT AND READ" PROGRAM (H 4450)

House 151-2, Senate 38-1, overrode Gov. Baker's veto of the entire \$1 million in funding for the Reach Out and Read (ROR) program. ROR is a national nonprofit group that began in 1989 at Boston Medical Center to address the problem that most pediatricians' waiting rooms did not have books available to read. Nationally, the group annually distributes 6.5 million books.

The Massachusetts ROR program trains pediatricians and nurses to advise parents about the importance of reading aloud to their children in order to prepare them for school. The program also funds the purchase of books to give to children who are six months to five years old during their visits to their doctors. Some 254 hospitals and clinics in Massachusetts participate in the program, serving 186,000 children and families.

(A "Yes" vote is for spending the \$1 million. A "No" vote is against spending it.)

Rep. Bruce Ayers	Yes
Rep. Garrett Bradley	Didn't Vote
Rep. Thomas Calter	Yes
Rep. James Cantwell	Yes
Rep. Mark Cusack	Yes
Rep. Josh Cutler	Yes
Rep. David DeCoste	Yes
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Rep. Walter Timilty	Yes
Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

CUT ENTIRE \$350,000 FOR STROKE PROGRAMS (H 4450)

House 132-21, Senate 38-1, overrode Gov. Baker's veto of the entire \$350,000 for stroke treatment and prevention programs to provide educational programming on the signs and symptoms of stroke. The program would focus on communities that have the highest incidence of stroke.

The money would fund the operation and administration of designated primary stroke service hospital programs and require those hospitals and emergency medical services agencies to report data consistent with nationally recognized guidelines on the treatment of individuals with strokes.

(A "Yes" vote is for spending the \$350,000. A "No" vote is against spending it.)

Rep. Bruce Ayers	Yes
Rep. Garrett Bradley	Didn't Vote

Rep. Thomas Calter	Yes
Rep. James Cantwell	Yes
Rep. Mark Cusack	Yes
Rep. Josh Cutler	Yes
Rep. David DeCoste	No
Rep. Angelo D'Emilia	Yes
Rep. Geoff Diehl	No
Rep. Michelle DuBois	Yes
Rep. William Galvin	Yes
Rep. Susan Gifford	No
Rep. Patricia Haddad	Yes
Rep. Randy Hunt	No
Rep. Louis Kafka	Yes
Rep. Ronald Mariano	Yes
Rep. Christopher Markey	Yes
Rep. Matthew Muratore	No
Rep. James Murphy	Yes
Rep. William Straus	Yes
Rep. Walter Timilty	Yes
Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

CUT ENTIRE \$150,000 TO ADDRESS TEEN DATING VIOLENCE (H 4450)

House 121-32, Senate 37-2, overrode Gov. Baker's veto of the entire \$150,000 for a competitive grant program in public schools from grades 5 to 12, to promote healthy relationships and address teen dating violence. The grants would be awarded to schools in which the majority of students are eligible for free or reduced lunches.

(A "Yes" vote is for spending the \$150,000. A "No" vote is against spending it.)

Rep. Bruce Ayers	Yes
Rep. Garrett Bradley	Didn't Vote
Rep. Thomas Calter	Yes
Rep. James Cantwell	Yes
Rep. Mark Cusack	Yes
Rep. Josh Cutler	Yes
Rep. David DeCoste	No
Rep. Angelo D'Emilia	No
Rep. Geoff Diehl	No
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Rep. Louis Kafka	Yes
Rep. Ronald Mariano	Yes
Rep. Christopher Markey	Yes
Rep. Matthew Muratore	No
Rep. James Murphy	Yes
Rep. William Straus	Yes
Rep. Walter Timilty	Yes
Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	No
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

CUT \$400,000 FROM PEDIATRIC PALLIATIVE CARE (H 4450)

House 135-17, Senate 39-0, overrode the governor's veto of \$400,000 (from \$2,204,578 to \$1,804,578) for the pediatric palliative care program that improves the quality of life for children under age 18 with life-limiting illness and their families who are caring for them.

(A "Yes" vote is for spending the \$400,000. A "No" vote is against it.)

Rep. Bruce Ayers	Yes
Rep. Garrett Bradley	Didn't Vote
Rep. Thomas Calter	Yes
Rep. James Cantwell	Yes
Rep. Mark Cusack	Yes
Rep. Josh Cutler	Yes
Rep. David DeCoste	Yes
Rep. Angelo D'Emilia	Yes
Rep. Geoff Diehl	No
Rep. Michelle DuBois	Yes
Rep. William Galvin	Yes
Rep. Susan Gifford	Yes
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Rep. Louis Kafka	Yes
Rep. Ronald Mariano	Yes
Rep. Christopher Markey	Yes
Rep. Matthew Muratore	No
Rep. James Murphy	Yes
Rep. William Straus	Yes
Rep. Walter Timilty	Yes
Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes

Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

\$50 MILLION TO COMMUNITIES FOR SMALL BRIDGE REPAIRS (H 4457)

House 158-0, Senate 38-1, approved and sent to Gov. Baker a \$750 million package for transportation projects across the state. The package includes \$700 million for highway improvements and \$50 million for a new grant program to fund the repair of cities' and towns' bridges that are 20 or less feet in length.

Supporters said the bill would fund critical improvements to highways across the state. They noted the \$50 million for bridge repairs would go directly to cities and towns in need of funds to repair bridges that are crumbling.

The lone opponent opposed a provision that exempts from the state's debt ceiling large amounts of borrowing authorized in a 2014 transportation bond bill. He said this action is fiscally irresponsible.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

Rep. Bruce Ayers	Yes
Rep. Garrett Bradley	Yes
Rep. Thomas Calter	Yes
Rep. James Cantwell	Yes
Rep. Mark Cusack	Yes
Rep. Josh Cutler	Yes
Rep. David DeCoste	Yes
Rep. Angelo D'Emilia	Yes
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Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Viriato deMacedo	Yes
Sen. Brian Joyce	No
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes

REGULATE UBER AND LYFT (H 4570)

House 142-15, Senate on a voice vote without a roll call, approved and sent to the governor a measure that would regulate Uber, Lyft and other Transportation Network Companies (TNCs). The measure would establish a new division within the Department of Public Utilities, funded by the companies themselves, to oversee the licensing of the companies and drivers, enforcing penalties and all other issues. A key provision requires drivers to pass two annual background checks -- an internal one by the company and one by the state.

A driver's record cannot contain any crimes of violence, sexual abuse, drunken driving, hit and run, felony robbery or felony fraud. In addition, anyone with one major traffic violation or four minor traffic violations within the past three years would be ineligible to drive. The measure also requires TNCs to pay a tax of 20-cents per ride into a new Municipal Transportation Infrastructure Trust Fund. The fund would distribute some of the money to provide financial assistance to small businesses operating in the taxi-cab, delivery or hackney industries and some to cities and towns to address the impact of TNCs on municipal roads, bridges and taxis.

The bill prohibits surge pricing in weather emergencies and requires drivers to carry certain levels of auto insurance.

Supporters said these regulations were compiled after extensive input from both the TNCs and taxi industries. They said the new rules will foster growth and competition while protecting consumers.

Opponents were divided into two groups. Supporters of Uber and Lyft said the regulations hurt the consumer by limiting consumer choice and restricting competition. Supporters of the taxi industry said the regulations are minimal, do not level the playing field and will do nothing to help cab drivers who have seen much of their business taken away by these new companies.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

Rep. Bruce Ayers	Yes
Rep. Garrett Bradley	Didn't Vote
Rep. Thomas Calter	Yes
Rep. James Cantwell	Yes
Rep. Mark Cusack	Yes
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home rentals was not up to the Town.

House and Senate lawmakers decided on August 1 that such private arrangements would not be taxed. And this isn't the sort of ruling on which local bylaws can differ. As much as Cohasset could benefit from the additional revenue, it must abide by the state's decision.

"We were in favor of the tax," said Selectman Kevin McCarthy. "The revenue would have been a good thing for us. We'll have to keep working with the State to find a solution that works."

In reality, though, taxing Airbnb properties might not have done the town a whole lot of good. Cohasset Airbnb hosts reported mixed success with the venture.

Some had good experiences and some had bad, but the prevailing story seemed to be that the homes were never full for the whole season. People rented them sporadically, which means that tax revenue would have been sporadic, too.

Hosts didn't think an additional tax would hurt them. Sites like Airbnb factor in those details automatically, so chances are, the average host would never even notice it was there unless they looked at the line-by-line breakdown of charges.

What's more harmful, according to one hostess who asked not to be named, is the wedding culture.

"When people are coming from different places for a wedding, their main purpose is not to enjoy the house and to enjoy Cohasset, but to celebrate," she said. "That dynamic can lead to misuse and disrespect toward a house."

Wedding guests were destructive. They left windows open, lights on, air conditioning running, and doors unlocked. The hostess soon learned to reject applications from wedding guests outright.

Not long after, she learned that she was better off not renting out her home at all; it was too hard to manage it remotely, even with a local friend stopping in to check up on the property, and the cost of damages had started to outweigh the benefit.

She said she's had better luck renting out a property on the Cape.

Another remote host said that, while a wedding guest

had put a hole through the irrigation system once, there had been no major issues with anyone renting either his beach house or his large home on Atlantic Avenue over the course of two years. But that may have something to do with the price tag.

"These are beautiful, high-end homes," said the host's representative, who asked that identifying details be withheld. "They're equipped with expensive media stations. We can't let them go for a small amount of money. The big one can accommodate a whole wedding party."

Still, even for this host, "success" in the 2016 season meant renting out the beach house to just six tenants from April onward, and the big house to even fewer.

Success, for another hostess, simply means that somebody is using the house. She used to bring her family there every summer, but as her kids grew older, they visited less and less often, even though they only lived about half an hour away.

"For two or three summers, it was empty, and that made me sad because it's a great place," the hostess said of the huge beach house near Sandy Cove, which sleeps 18. The house is now on the market, but in the meantime, she hated to see it sit empty for any longer.

Renting out the house doesn't even come close to covering the mortgage, but it's enough to pay for maintenance and repairs, and for this hostess, it's worth it to have somebody enjoying the house. She said the worst thing to happen has been a little sand on the couches, and she's not worried about that.

"I'm not worried about them leaving things in the wrong place or sitting on chairs with sandy feet," she said. "That's what I want them to do. The house can totally take it."

Another hostess treats her online vacation rentals like a serious business. She's particular: she checks people's online profiles and looks for a Cohasset connection — the person grew up here, or has family here, for instance.

Renters must be willing to talk on the phone before arriving and they must be willing to sign a lease agreement, even for a short stay. If they're not, "that's a red flag," said the hostess.

She provides renters with



This vacation rental on Cohasset Harbor is the perfect size for a family or two couples traveling together. The owner always looks for a Cohasset connection before renting. PHOTOS FROM AIRBNB.COM.

a welcome folder containing rules and information, along with a bottle of wine. She stocks travel-sized toiletries in the bathroom and color-codes her sheets by size. There's plenty of toilet paper and pantry staples. There are bikes, toys, and kayaks for the guest to borrow.

It's as much like a hotel as it can be without actually being a hotel. There aren't even any personal touches. Generic décor hangs in the place of family photos, and she only displays unsigned artwork by her children. It's clear which things are

for the guest, because off-limits closets and cabinets are locked.

"People don't like to see anything personal," the hostess said.

All these little measures make the experience easy and predictable for the guest. And it's made things easy and predictable for the hostess, too. She hasn't had any issues with this property and will continue to offer it as a vacation rental while it's on the market.

Between the sporadic rentals of these dozen properties, the tax revenue may not have been much, but

even a little bit would have helped.

OPEB account

Town Meeting voted to allocate revenue from the meals and rooms taxes into the OPEB trust fund, which covers healthcare and other post-employment benefits for retired teachers and Town employees. The account is chronically underfunded with a liability of \$37 million.

The meals and room taxes were projected to contribute \$225,000 to the OPEB account. That amount did

not include revenue from the hoped-for tax on Airbnb properties.

The funny thing is, Airbnb wanted the State of Massachusetts to tax them. An Airbnb spokeswoman, Crystal Davis, recently told the Boston Globe that the company hoped to continue working with lawmakers on the issue.

So if communities wanted it, hotels wanted it, and the company wanted it, what let the air out of the Airbnb tax's tires? Governor Charlie Baker didn't support it, and House lawmakers didn't include it in their economic development bill.

The Boston Globe reported that, while Baker was sympathetic to the plight of hotel and motel owners, he didn't think taxing Airbnb was the answer.

"I'm not interested in raising taxes. I am interested in leveling playing fields," Baker told the Globe. "At this point in time, on this particular issue, those two things seem to be in conflict."

"We remain positive that something can be done for us to pay our fair share of taxes for our hosts and our guest community," Davis told the Globe.

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This vacation rental with views of Cohasset Harbor is as much like a hotel as it's possible to get without actually staying at a hotel, including complimentary toiletries in guest bathrooms. PHOTO FROM AIRBNB.COM.

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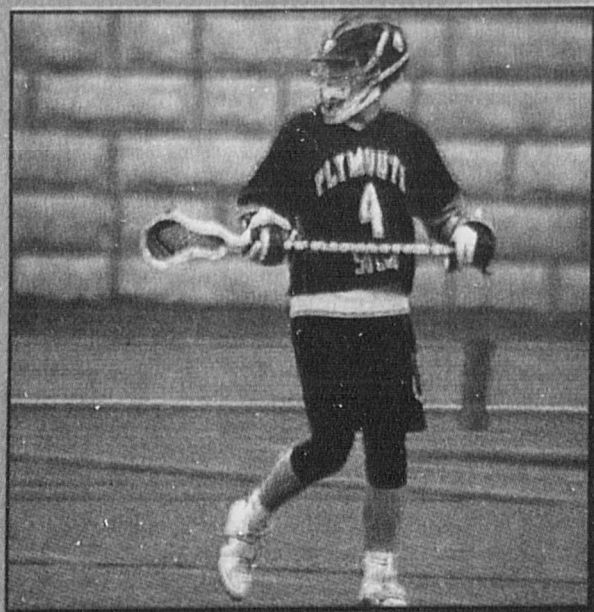
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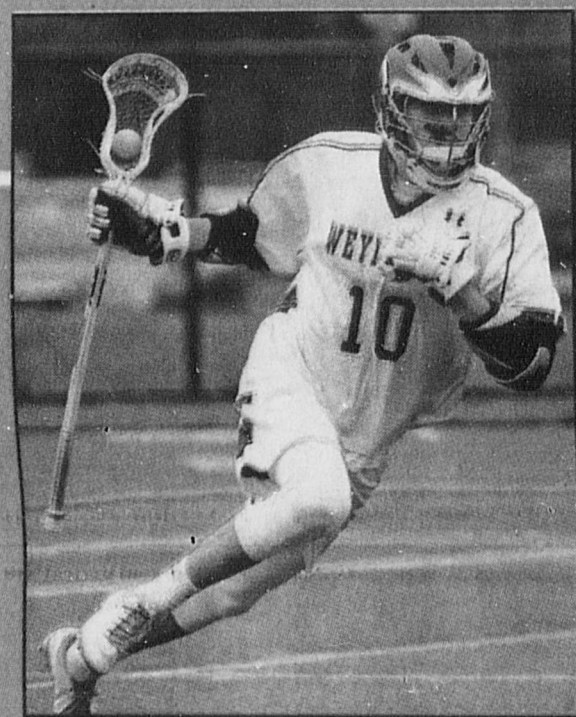
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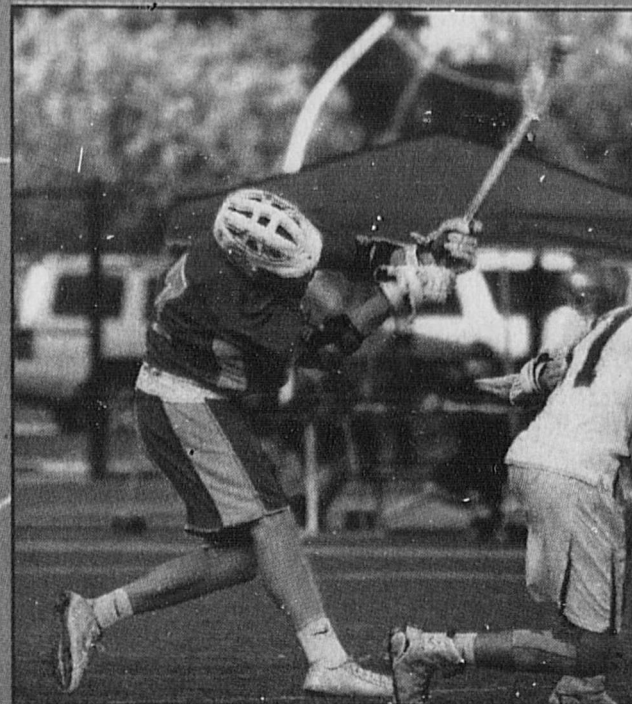
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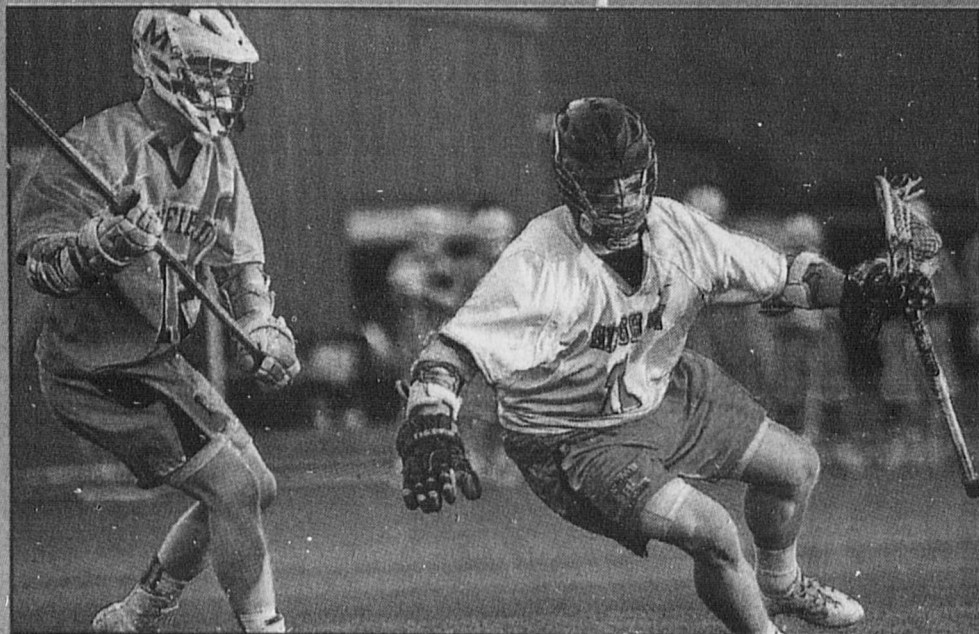
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FALL SPORTS

Registration

Cohasset High School Fall Sports registration is now open. For more information, visit www.cohassetk12.org/domain/100

AAU BASKETBALL

The University Basketball Club Fall 2016 tryout schedule

Boys

August 17 and 25
Grades 4 and 5
5-6:30 p.m.
Grades 6 and 7
6:30-8 p.m.
Grades 8 and 9
8-9:30 p.m.
Grades 10 and 11
8-9:30 p.m.

Girls

August 18 and 24
Grades 4 and 5
5-6:30 p.m.
Grades 6 and 7
6:30-8 p.m.
Grades 8 and 9
8-9:30 p.m.
Grades 10 and 11
8-9:30 p.m.

There is a \$25 tryout fee due at registration before their first tryout

Program Philosophy

The University Basketball Club aims to provide a fun and safe environment for youth to play basketball in. The program is based around the quality of coaches, most of which have multiple years of high school and/or college coaching experience. Coaches focus on helping players improve their individual skillsets within the framework of building a true team concept.

If you are unable to attend either tryout please contact UBC Program Director Matt DellaBarba either by email: matt@theu-hanover.com or by calling: 781-996-3053 ext. 112

FOOTBALL

Officials wanted

The Eastern Massachusetts Association of Interscholastic Football Officials (EMAIFO) will be offering candidate classes for those interested in becoming football officials.

The primary qualification is a desire to contribute to the sport at the high school and youth levels. Our member officials work games from greater Boston to Cape Cod and Rhode Island. Classes will start on August 25 and will meet at Whitman-Hanson Regional High School.

Visit www.emaifo.net for more information.

Candidates will learn the NCAA football rules as well as receive expert instruction from experienced high school and college officials.

Contact Jack Arouca at 617-967-3220, or jarouca@aol.com, for more information.

MASSASOIT BASEBALL

Tryout Dates, Preseason Meeting, Fall Ball Schedule

Massasoit Community College baseball head coach Tom Frizzell recently announced dates for

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YOUTH BASEBALL

Strong season

Teamup with Hull takes team to championship game

Cohasset and Hull teamed up on the baseball diamond to put together an age 11-and-12 team and fielded a strong squad this season, going all the way to the league championship game where they lost a close one in a thriller.

Along the way, the Cohasset/Hull team, made up of players who weren't selected to play on the Williamsport team, knocked off previously undefeated Weymouth in the semifinal.

Through the season, players enjoyed themselves and continually improved their



The Cohasset/Hull 11-and-12 travel team is: Head Coach, Eric Rickard, Assistant coaches, Greg Griffin and Damien Cavicchio, scorekeeper, Mark Constable Cohasset players: Frankie Agostino, Will Malloy, Travis McKeen, Connor Nicholls, James Appleton. Hull Players: Ethan Rickard, Gabe Griffin, Dylan Cavicchio, Brenden Connolly, Patrick Lynch, Max Constable, Ben Alexander, Chris Collins, Sasha Green

COURTESY PHOTO

games.

"The players became close

friends," said coach Eric

Rickard. "They all helped

each other out. Great group of kids."

YOUTH SOFTBALL



Cohasset 10U players celebrate after winning the South Shore Summer Softball League championship last week. COURTESY PHOTOS

Cohasset 10U finishing the job



Cohasset 10U players celebrate after winning the South Shore Summer Softball League championship last week.

Ten and Under softball wins SSSSL title

By William Wassersug
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The Cohasset 10U Softball team completed a monumental turnaround last week when it beat Holbrook 20-10 in the championship game of the South Shore Summer Softball League.

A year ago, Cohasset finished 0-10 for the season. This year was just a bit

different with the team losing just once all season.

In the championship, it was a team effort, according to coach Brian Sasso.

"Shannon MacLeod pitched a great game," Sasso said. "She pitched a complete game. Our hitting was phenomenal. The girls crushed the ball. In one inning we had three monster hits. Catherine Toomey hit a standup triple. It was an absolute bomb, one of the best hits I've seen. Angela Grimes

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YOUTH BASEBALL

Heck of a season

Suburban League 10A team shines

The 2016 Cohasset 10-year-old Suburban Youth Baseball League "A" team played strong and hard this season.

They tied for fourth place in their region, qualified for the playoffs and ended the season with an 8-8 record.

The highlight of the season was a very hot Sandwich Tournament in July where they fought the heat to beat Sandwich, Chatham and Walpole teams.

Coach Jim Kyller and coach Toby Miller are very proud of the boys and were pleased with the way they all played their hearts out and improved as the summer went on.



The Cohasset 10A team is: Front Row - Luc LeFevre, Wyatt Miller, Jack Kyller, Charlie Farrag and Jack McSweeney. Second Row - Charlie McKeen, Charlie Bushley, Liam Appleton, Luke McCann, and Del DiBona. Last Row Coaches Toby Miller and Jim Kyller. Missing: Blaine Basile and Ben Joyce. COURTESY PHOTO

YOUTH FOOTBALL

Heads Up

SciCoh adopts Heads Up Football Program

When it comes to safety, SciCoh Youth Football is dedicated to the best and most up-to-date methods of keeping players safe while having fun and learning the sport.

That includes adopting the USA Football Heads Up Football program.

Heads Up Football is a comprehensive program developed by USA Football to advance player safety in the game of football.

It is the sport's national governing body, leading the game's development on the youth and high school levels.

In preparation for the 2016 football season and with safety as their number one priority, SciCoh's coaches will employ Heads Up Football this season in addition to having all of their players wear guardian caps during practice as they have the past few seasons.

Heads Up Football is a comprehensive approach to coaching which includes coaching education, concussion recognition and response, proper equipment fitting, reinforcement of the mechanics of blocking/tackling teaching players how to perform the basic football skills with focus on reducing helmet contact with the head being up at all times, sudden cardiac arrest protocol, heat and hydration safety measures as well as provides player safety coach training.

SciCoh designated Ken Kelly, this year's fourth grade SciCoh coach as their Player Safety Coach of choice.

"Ken brings enthusiasm to the position," SciCoh President Robyn Sullivan said. "He attended a clinic in June to learn Heads Up Football protocols and techniques. He will ensure that these are properly taught and applied throughout our entire program."

As a mother of two football players herself, nothing is more important to Sullivan than the need to make the sport safer to play so partnering with USA Football was a given.

"All of our coaches will complete USA Football's online certification course as well as participate in a training session conducted by Ken," Sullivan said. "Coaches are essentially teachers so supporting them with this type of education is an effective way to assist them in how they address safety issues while teaching players the fundamentals of the game, all while having fun."

Sullivan also said that success in football in addition to playing it safer like any team sport requires selflessness and teamwork.

"It is impossible to have any kind of success without your teammates," Sullivan said. "It teaches what it means to be a part of something bigger than oneself. In addition to teamwork, football develops physical, emotional and mental toughness. It instills self-confidence and self-discipline, while teaching the value of hard work, commitment and the power that a positive attitude has."

Both of her boys learned this early on as they started playing football in second and third grade and will continue to reap the benefits of what the sport and it's coaches have to offer even after they are done playing the game.

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the team's preseason meeting, tryouts and fall ball schedule.

Frizzell, entering his 27th season leading the Warriors, will hold an informational meeting for students interested in trying out on Thursday, Sept. 8 at 2 p.m. on the second floor of the Field House on the Brockton campus.

Tryouts will take place on the following dates:

Saturday, Sept. 10 – 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 12 – 2:00-4:00 PM

Tuesday, Sept. 13 – 2:00-4:00 PM

Any student planning to try out must present proof of a physical dated with the last calendar year. Students can contact Coach Frizzell via email at tfrizzell@massasoit.mass.edu with any additional questions.

In addition, Frizzell announced the team's fall ball practices and scrimmage schedule. Team practices will be held every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 2-4 PM. Below is the team's scrimmage schedule for the fall.

Scrimmage Schedule:

Sept. 17 – Grand Slam All-Stars (Home)

Sept. 24 – Grand Slam All-Stars (Home)

Sept. 25 – L&M Baseball Club (Home)

Oct. 1 – Stonehill College (Away)

Oct. 5 – L&M Baseball Club (Home)

Oct. 8 – Quinsigamond CC (Away)

Oct. 15 – L&M Baseball Club (Home)

MASSASOIT SOCCER

Tryout dates

Head coach Rui Estrela announced tryout dates for the 2016 version of the Massasoit men's soccer team. The two-day tryout will take place on August 15-16 from 3:30-5:30 p.m. on the Brockton campus of Massasoit Community College.

To tryout, individuals need to have a copy of a physical, administered within the last 13 months.

The Warriors are coming off a historic season in 2015, advancing to the NJCAA National Tournament for the first time in 20 years. Last season, Massasoit finished 13-8 overall.

Any additional questions, contact head coach Rui Estrela – restrela@massasoit.mass.edu or call the Athletics Office at 508-588-9100 x1431.

GOLF

Warrior Scramble

The Massasoit Athletics Department will host the 5th Annual Warrior Golf Scramble on Friday, August 19th at Squirrel Run Golf Club in Plymouth, Mass. Registration begins at 12 p.m. with a shotgun start at 1 p.m.

The scramble form fundraising tournament costs \$100 per golfer with sponsorship opportunities ranging from \$25 to \$200. Following tournament action, there will be a catered meal inside the Squirrel Run club house.

Registration forms are due back to the Athletics Department by Friday, August 12th.

For more information contact the Massasoit Athletics Department

SOFTBALL

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and Phoebe Sullivan both hit doubles to the outfield. They were great hits."

Cohasset scored the maximum allowed four runs in every inning and on the defensive side, turned three double plays.

"We turned three double

plays," Sasso said. "That's tough in any division. On one of them, our catcher Phoebe Sullivan caught a pop-up and threw back to first to catch a runner off base. Our second double play, Taylor Soderberg caught one at second and stepped on the base before the runner could get back."

The third double play was more tricky.

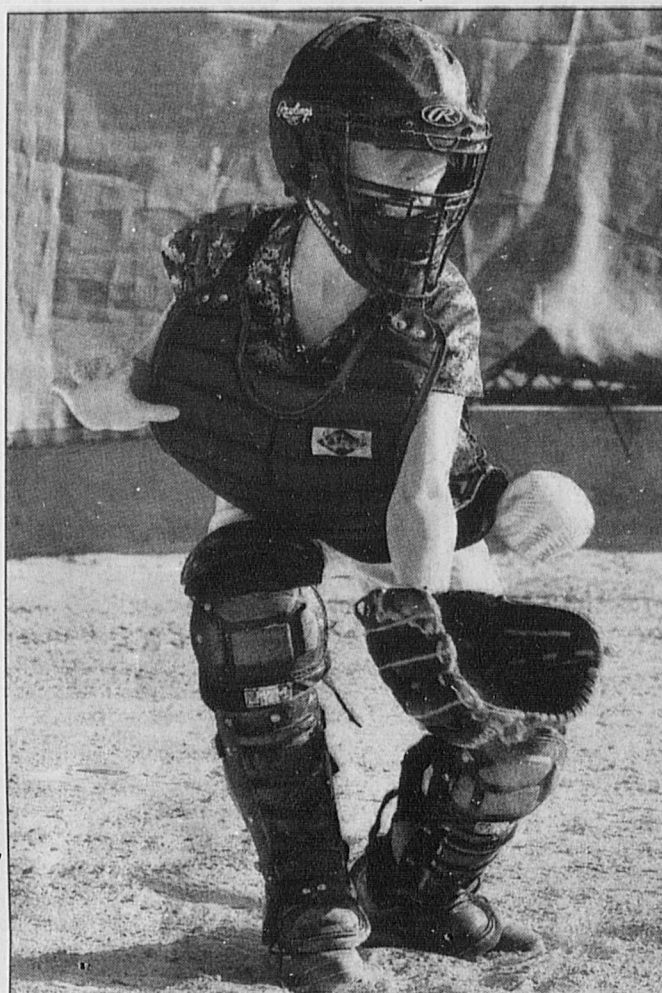
"The girl hit a the ball to right center and Bella Kearney picked it up and fired it to Camryn Sasso. She got the girl running to second then threw to first for the double play." Sasso was thrilled for the team.

"It was euphoric," he said. "I'm so happy for the girls, not just the girls who played this year, but the girls who were here last year that

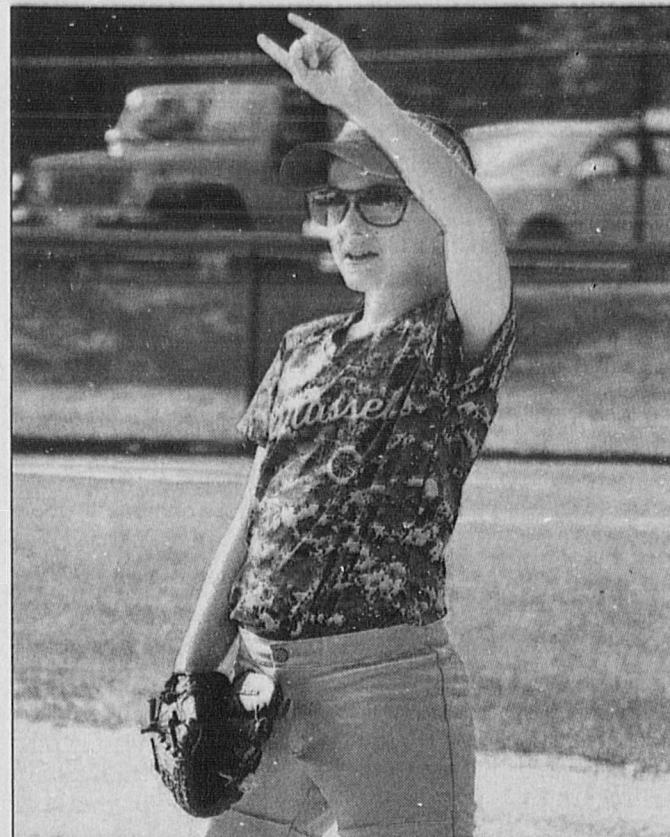
aged out. We were playing for them too. The girls played hard and practiced hard. They really wanted to be ready for the championship game. The game was Thursday. They practiced Wednesday and Wednesday morning. They really wanted to be ready for the championship game. The commitment from the girls was awesome."



Cohasset's Phoebe Sullivan and Shannon MacLeod show off their championship trophies. COURTESY PHOTOS



Cohasset 10U catcher Phoebe Sullivan in action against Halifax.



Cohasset 10U first baseman Angelina Grimes lets everyone know the situation during the first inning of a 7-0 playoff win Tuesday at Freedom Field.



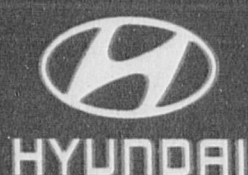
Cohasset's Taylor Soderberg fouls off an offering in the first inning of her 10U team's 7-0 playoff win over Halifax, Tuesday Aug. 2 at Freedom Field. Soderberg eventually walked, stole second and third and scored the game's first run.

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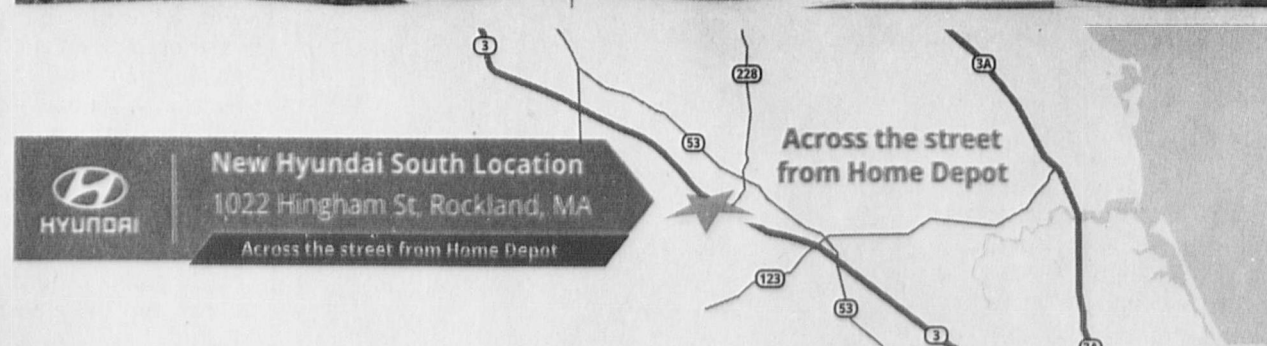


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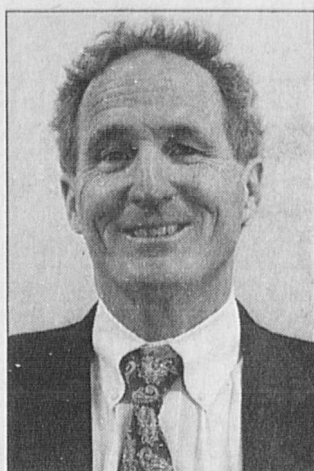
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CANDIDATE ANNOUNCEMENT

Gannon running for State Senate

Hingham Selectman and former State Representative Paul Gannon has officially announced his candidacy for the Plymouth-Norfolk Senate seat. Gannon said his state and local government experience, business experience and extensive community involvement are important factors that separate him from other candidates.

With the resignation of Rep. Garrett Bradley, Joan Meschino has declared that she will seek that seat this fall. She will not be a candidate for the state Senate. Gannon, a candidate for the Senate in this spring's special election was planning to support Meschino's Senate bid. Her decision has now created an opportunity for him to reenter the race. Having previously been a candidate for the Plymouth/Norfolk Senate district, Gannon said he believes he has the experience and organization



Paul Gannon

necessary to win.

"I plan to put the perspective and experience gained from my service as a selectman and a state representative to work for residents of the district," Gannon said. "As a selectman, I have firsthand knowledge of the issues facing local governments. As a former state representative, I know how to get those

issues addressed by state government."

"South Shore residents deserve the type of leadership that combines understanding of issues such as substance abuse, budget management, education and public transportation with experience in making those issues priorities on Beacon Hill. I intend to provide that level of leadership," Gannon said.

Gannon is a former Suffolk County prosecutor who now has his own law practice. He served as a State Representative from South Boston before moving to Hingham.

He previously served on the Hingham School Committee and was elected Selectman in 2014.

He is married to Susan (Carey) Gannon. They have two daughters, Jacqueline, who will be a senior at Hingham High School and Caroline, who attends Providence College.

CANDIDATE ANNOUNCEMENT

Arute running for state representative

Kristen Arute of Gardner Street in Hingham has announced her intention to run as a Republican for State Representative in the upcoming election. Arute is dedicated to meeting the residents of the district to earn their votes and to represent them in the State House. Arute's campaign has organized with the Mass. Office of Campaign and Political Finance, and her Campaign Chairman is Heather Hedlund, sister of Bob Hedlund, Mayor of Weymouth.

Arute, who is currently managing the personal, legal and financial affairs of an elderly widow, is a mother of two adult children, a current member of the Hingham Council on Aging and has a background in education and small business.

"Running my own business taught me a great



Kristen Arute, republican of Hingham, is running for state representative. COURTESY PHOTO

deal about setting policy, managing a budget and understanding the regulatory role of government. Working as an educator has reinforced to me the importance of listening to teachers and families when talking about public

education issues."

Another central theme of Arute's campaign will be elder affairs:

"It is important to me that we protect the most vulnerable among us. When I began caring for an elderly friend, I discovered that she had been defrauded by a trusted advisor. I would like to draw attention to this issue and see stricter elder fraud legislation in Massachusetts."

The Primary Election will be held on Thursday, Sept. 8th, and it involves a write-in ballot. Arute will be distributing ballot stickers during her campaign and encourages people to learn more about her and the particulars of this race by visiting her website at www.KristenArute.com. She can also be found on Facebook and Twitter. The General Election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 8th.

Hull Illumination Festival



Joan Meschino with Hull Firefighters greeting families at the Hull Illumination Festival. Meschino is running a write-in campaign in the primary election for State Representative on Thursday, Sept. 8. COURTESY PHOTO

STATE HOUSE

State Sen. O'Connor seeks Citizens' Legislative Seminar nominees

State Sen. Patrick O'Connor, R-Weymouth, is seeking nominees to participate in the 77th Citizens' Legislative Seminar to be held Oct. 17-18 at the State House in Boston.

"This seminar will give residents from the community an inside perspective from elected officials on the legislative process and I encourage anyone interested in attending to reach out to me," O'Connor said.

The two-day seminar features engaging presentations by senators and staff on aspects of the day-to-day experience of legislators in the Commonwealth. Topics will include

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State Sen. Patrick O'Connor

the history and process of the legislature, the parliamentary role of the Clerk of the Senate and the future of the legislature. The seminar will walk participants through the legislative process, including how bills are introduced, debated and passed.

The Citizens' Legislative

Seminar culminates with a simulated legislative hearing and Senate session where participants are invited to use what they have learned and participate as "senators" in the Senate Chamber in order to have a first-hand experience of the legislative process.

Interested residents in the Plymouth and Norfolk District should contact Michael Murphy at 617-722-1646 by Aug. 12 in order to be nominated by O'Connor. Seats are limited and nominations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

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POLITICS

Constituent service focus for Burm

By Stephen Burm
Candidate for State Representative

Being a State Representative allows you to work on a variety of issues from deliberating and passing the state's budget, to filing and considering legislation. One of the most important roles of a legislator is working with and helping constituents and local officials. These interactions are what first made me passionate about the role a State Representative plays in their community and is what made me want to run for State Representative once Garrett Bradley stepped down.

Working with Representative Bradley and in the

Patrick Administration gave me an opportunity to work with thousands of constituents, local officials and small businesses to help guide them through complex issues they were having. While some of these instances were simple fixes, others required me to dive deep into an issue and work with members of the Governor's Administration, health care administrators and providers, banks and mortgage companies. There is no greater joy than helping a constituent, local official or small business in a time of need.

Whether it was working on passing legislation to establish the Nantasket Beach Reservation Trust,

or advocating for Mass-Works Infrastructure grants in our communities, to passing legislation that resulted from town meeting, it is critical to have a State Representative who knows who to call and how to get legislation passed that is important to the district.

Rep. Bradley always demanded from himself and his staff that you always go the extra mile and always be responsive and call people back. It's this foundation that has prepared me to be an effective State Representative from day one.

For more information on the campaign please visit: www.stephenburm.com.

LEGISLATION

Paragon Park Carousel lease extended

This weekend, both the State Senate and House of Representatives passed legislation to renew the Paragon Carousel lease for another 25 years. Sen. Patrick O'Connor, Rep. Garrett Bradley and former-Sen. Robert Hedlund all worked to ensure this lease renewal moved forward.

The Paragon Park Carousel is one of the South Shore's most iconic and cherished landmarks. Having served our community for over 80 years, the carousel stands as the last remaining attraction from the Paragon Amusement Park on Nantasket Beach that closed in 1985. In 1999, the carousel was registered as a National Historic Place, and it attracts around 100,000 visitors each

summer. The carousel, as well as the Paragon Park Museum Shop, are operated and preserved by Friends of the Paragon Carousel, a non-profit organization composed of a group of dedicated volunteers.

"It's with great satisfaction that this legislation has come to fruition in the last weekend of this legislative session. This will ensure the Paragon Carousel stays as a historic tourist attraction as well as a family-fun adventure for generations to come," O'Connor said.

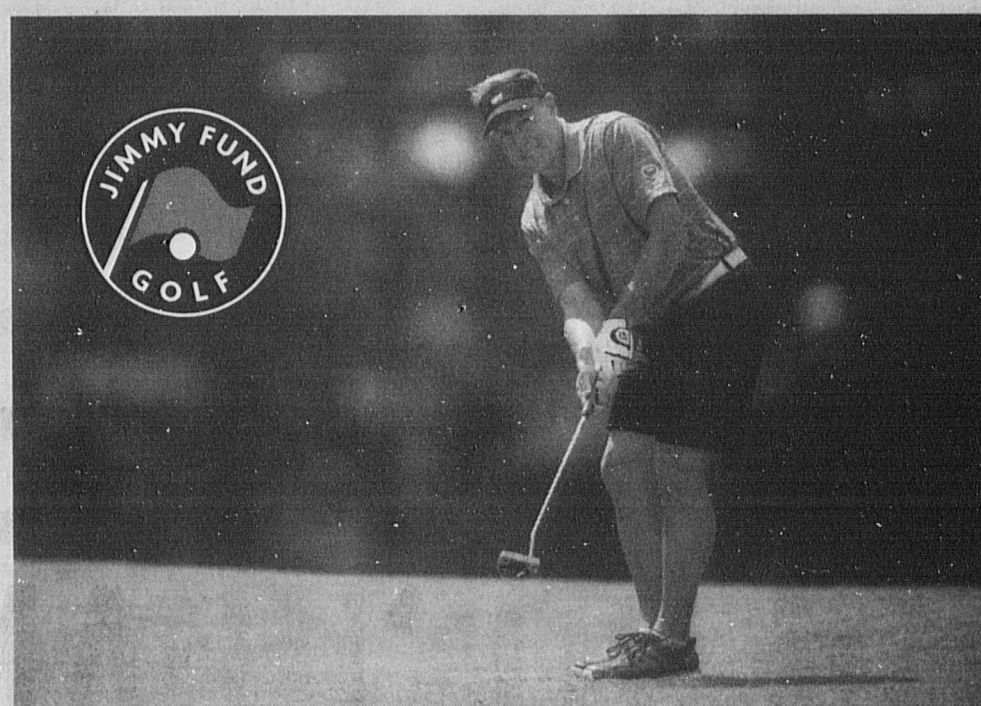
Attempts to enact this lease renewal had failed to make it through the legislature in past sessions.

The Friends of the Paragon Carousel have leased the carousel facilities from the Division of Capital Asset

Management and Maintenance in an arrangement agreed upon by the Department of Conservation and Recreation. The 25-year lease expired this year. Through this legislation it will be extended through 2041.

"On behalf of the Board and the Friends of the Paragon Carousel we are thrilled our lease has been renewed and will be here for the foreseeable future," said Patricia Abbate, Paragon Carousel general manager. "Now we can continue our restoration efforts of this South Shore treasure to ensure future generations can enjoy this iconic piece of Americana for many years to come."

The Paragon Carousel is open daily through Labor Day.



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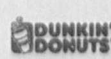
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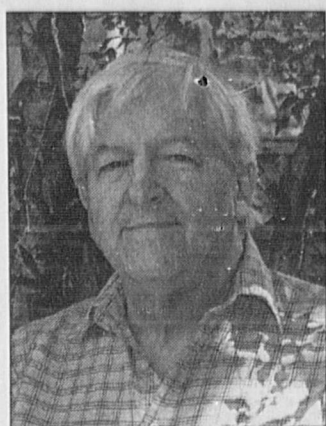
Final Carillon recital features John Whiteside

The final recital in the 2016 St. Stephen's Carillon Summer Concert Series will be performed at 6 p.m. Aug. 14 at St. Stephens Church, 16 Highland Ave., by carillonneur John Whiteside.

Whiteside is director of music ministries and carillonneur at St. Stephen's. Born in Boston, Whiteside has spent his career in church music and is particularly interested in bringing high quality choral music to the churches he serves.

"It is exciting to make people sing well," said Whiteside. "And when they do a great musical work well everyone is edified."

"The carillon in Cohasset is a great instrument," said Whiteside. "One carillonneur who played this summer was surprised that our instrument is as good as it is. The carillon has been



John Whiteside, director of music ministries and carillonneur at St. Stephen's Church in Cohasset. COURTESY PHOTO

part of the St. Stephen's musical life for almost 100 years, and it is gratifying to see people enjoy coming to listen to it."

In Europe, carillons are more common, and most cities in the low lands, Belgium and the Netherlands,

have a carillon, many dating to the 15th century. In the United States, there are carillons in about 250 cities and towns, some in municipal buildings like the carillon in Norwood; some in academic institutions like Wellesley College; and most in churches, like St. Stephen's in Cohasset or the Riverside Church in New York City.

"The whole town can hear it when you play, and I hope people appreciate the very special character this incredible instrument brings to our town," said Whiteside.

The carillon can be heard from many locations in town, including the Cohasset Town Common and the courtyard of St. Stephen's Church. All concerts are free and are held rain or shine.

FAITH

St. Stephen's Church offers a safe space to heal

If you are in emotional, spiritual or physical pain, you're invited to a special service of Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing, every Wednesday morning at 9:30 at St. Stephen's Church.

"After the death of our first baby 28 years ago I was desperate," explains the Rev. Margot Critchfield. "I was furious at God for months — absolutely bereft — but going to a service very much like this one began my journey back to God and to the church. Week in, week out, it was so healing."

A television news producer at the time, Rev. Margot adds, "Little did I know back then that I would one day become a priest and lead services like that myself."

A small service with no music, the Wednesday Morning Service of Holy Communion with Prayers for Healing encourages those who are comfortable doing so to participate in the service more actively than in a normal Sunday service. Prayers are drawn



Services are every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., St. Stephen's Church, 16 Highland Ave. COURTESY PHOTO

from a number of contemporary sources, like the Iona Community in Scotland, as well as from more traditional sources.

After receiving Communion, anyone who would like to be prayed for — or have a loved one prayed for — is invited to come forward one person at a time. Rev. Margot and the other worshippers gather together then gently lay hands on the one being prayed for, while Rev. Margot prays

for healing and anoints the person with holy oil. Everyone who wants to takes a turn at being prayed for and/or praying for others. Those who prefer to remain in their seats are welcome to do so. "The whole point of this service is for it to be safe space, and a healing space," says Rev. Margot. "There is something very powerful about being intentional in seeking God's healing, whether for oneself or for another."

Every Wednesday at 9:30, St. Stephen's Church, 16 Highland Ave.

OBITUARIES

Obituaries appearing in this section are paid for and written by families, often through the services of a funeral director.

William G. Ross

COHASSET — William Gordon Ross, age 56, of Cohasset, passed away unexpectedly on July 14, 2016.

Husband of Suzanne (Feola) and son of Walter G. Ross of Cohasset and Anita L. Ross of Florida. Father of Harold James Litchfield and grandfather of Aubrey Louise Litchfield, both of Cohasset. Brother of Anita Urquhart of Pembroke and Robert Ross of Cohasset. Uncle of Amy Lee Fraser of Pembroke and Victoria Nicole Ross of Cohasset.

Billy served in the US Navy from 1978-1982 after graduating from Cohasset High School, Class of 1978. He had a deep

love of Cohasset Harbor where he spent his youth and loved cooking.

Visiting hours on Thursday, Aug. 11, from 5 - 8 p.m. in McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, 160 South Main St., (across from St. Anthony Church), Cohasset. A Graveside Service held on Friday, Aug. 12 at 10 am in Woodside Cemetery, Cohasset.

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COHASSET POLICE/FIRE LOG

The following are excerpts from the Cohasset Police/Fire which is public record and available for review.

Saturday, July 30

6:25 p.m.: Parking enforcement in 200 block of Atlantic Avenue; violation.

8:01 p.m.: Erratic operation at Ripley Road and Sohler Street; older-style red Mustang doing brake stands and speeding.

Sunday, July 31

12:15 a.m.: Small white SUV driving all over road in 400 block of S. Main Street. Scituate advised.

3:05 p.m.: An animal complaint was reported at Jerusalem and Windy Hill roads. A caller reported a German shepherd following people around but seemed skittish. Caller reported the dog walking in and out of the road. Services were rendered.

10:56 p.m.: Party into statin with purse found on 3A; owner contacted.

Monday, Aug. 1

10:39 a.m.: Parking enforcement in the village; violation issued.

11:40 a.m.: Warrant of Apprehension for subject on Elm Street.

11:45 a.m.: An injured juvenile eagle was reported at the Cohasset Police Headquarters on Elm Street. The Division of Fish and Wildlife was notified.

12:15 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Depot Court.

1:25 p.m.: An erratic motor vehicle operator was reported on Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

1:58 p.m.: A smoke detector alarm was reported on Border Street. The system was reset.

4:28 p.m.: Well being check on Beechwood Street.

6:06 p.m.: Traffic enforcement at King and Pond streets.

Tuesday, Aug. 2

12:13 a.m.: A tree was reported down on Pond Street. The tree limb was not on power lines but was obstructing traffic. The Department of Public Works was notified and removed the tree limb.

6:08 a.m.: A commercial alarm was reported at Hingham Lumber Company on Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

9:09 a.m.: A residential alarm was reported on Beach Street. It was accidental by the homeowner.

9:14 a.m.: A caller reported trucks speeding past his house on Forest Avenue.

10:18 a.m.: A gas line was reported cut with a handsaw on Jerusalem Road. National Grid was notified.

2:55 p.m.: A motor vehicle crash was reported at French Memories Bakery on South Main Street. No major damage or injuries were found.

6:18 p.m.: Caller says black Suburban blocking his driveway on N. Main Street. Vehicle tagged.

6:21 p.m.: A fire investigation was conducted on Black Horse Lane.

6:21 p.m.: A commercial alarm was reported at French Memories Bakery on South Main Street. It was determined accidental by an employee.

8:04 p.m.: A hit-and-run was reported on Highland Avenue.

8:14 p.m.: An outdoor fire was reported on Black Horse Lane.

9:08 p.m.: A residential alarm was reported on Deep Run.

9:10 p.m.: Caller reports his son driving an unsafe motor vehicle which he is forbidden to drive. Wants police to stop and hold him.

10:30 p.m.: A youth was reported in the roadway on Cushing Road yelling at passersby and possibly playing Pokemon Go. The party was gone on police arrival.

Wednesday, Aug. 3

9:37 a.m.: Warrant of Apprehension for subject on Atlantic Avenue.

9:55 a.m.: A caller reported a dog locked in a white Nissan at Cohasset Pediatrics on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. The vehicle was in the shade with the windows open, and the dog did not appear to be in distress.

10:04 a.m.: An outdoor fire was reported on Black Horse Lane.

10:50 a.m.: An IRS phone

scam was reported by a caller on Ledge Way.

11:56 a.m.: Caller on Deep Run reports dump truck is impeding traffic; wants it moved.

1:44 p.m.: Community policing in the village.

3:22 p.m.: A disturbance was reported on Border Street Bridge involving possible jumpers. No jumpers were found in the area.

3:35 p.m.: A 13-year-old male was reportedly hit by a car while riding his bike on Cushing Road at Norfolk Road. The boy was not seriously injured.

4:05 p.m.: An outdoor odor of gas was reported on Ripley Road at Sohler Street. National Grid was contacted.

6:07 p.m.: Caller reports tow truck blocking road on Border Street.

6:19 p.m.: Officer flagged down about parking complaint at Wadleigh Park; vehicles ticketed.

8:46 p.m.: A caller reported motorcycle driving up and down Atlantic Avenue making a lot of noise.

8:56 p.m.: A special needs child was reported wandering around a parking lot on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. The child stated he got into a fight with his mother.

10:51 p.m.: A caller reported loud music coming from somewhere on Stevens Lane.

Thursday, Aug. 4

1:01 a.m.: Parking enforcement in 500 block of Beechwood Street.

12:45 a.m.: A fire alarm activation was reported on Red Gate Lane.

7:50 a.m.: A fire alarm activation was reported at Cohasset Plaza on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. Damage was located in Papa Ginos.

8:49 a.m.: A caller reported an IRS phone scam on Beechwood Street.

12:03 p.m.: Severe back up at King and Sohler streets from Music Circle.

12:28 p.m.: A two-car motor vehicle accident was reported on Beechwood Street at Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

12:38 p.m.: A commercial alarm was reported at Farsh Oriental Rugs on South Main Street.

12:52 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Sandy Beach.

1:15 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Wadleigh Park; ticket issued.

1:28 p.m.: A walk-in reported a possible scam.

2:39 p.m.: A group of youths were reported causing a disturbance on Border Street Bridge.

2:51 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island; no violators.

3:03 p.m.: Traffic enforcement at Cushing Road and Spring Street.

3:15 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Wadleigh Park; violators ticketed.

3:23 p.m.: A real estate agent reported a broken screen and possible past break-in at a house on South Main Street.

3:45 p.m.: Kids were reported on Border Street Bridge causing a disturbance.

4:31 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Sandy Beach; no citations.

4:54 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Wadleigh Park; violators ticketed.

5:33 p.m.: A caller reported a 13-year-old yellow Lab missing with no tags. The dog was located and the owner notified.

6:16 p.m.: Traffic enforcement at Howe and Jerusalem roads.

7:13 p.m.: A minor motor vehicle crash was reported on Cedar Street. Tire changed and MV on the way.

Friday, Aug. 5

9:36 a.m.: Detail officer requests DPW for broken pipe on Jerusalem Road.

9:46 a.m.: New smoke detectors were reported sounding on Fair Oaks Lane. Fire personnel confirmed a faulty detector.

11:10 a.m.: Parking enforcement at Wadleigh Park; no violators.

11:19 a.m.: Lexus SUV blocking access to Fresh Feast on Ripley Road for over an hour.

12:25 p.m.: A disturbance was reported on Border Street Bridge. A group was removed from the bridge.

12:26 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island; citations issued.

1:22 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Sandy Beach; citations issued.

1:26 p.m.: A commercial alarm was reported on Farsh Oriental Rugs on South Main

Street. It was determined accidental by an employee.

1:50 p.m.: Caller reports off Strawberry Point, can see blue hull in water. Boat is in Scituate; Scituate to handle.

2:36 p.m.: A disturbance was reported on Border Street Bridge. A group was removed from the bridge.

2:37 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island.

3:49 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Sandy Beach; citations issued.

4:26 p.m.: A residential alarm was reported on Lamberts Lane. Police secured the house.

4:39 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island.

5:56 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Sandy Beach.

7:05 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island.

8:38 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident was reported on Avalon Drive at King Street.

9:41 p.m.: A noise complaint was made at Cohasset Harbor Inn on Elm Street involving a bus idling for more than five minutes.

10:47 p.m.: A mulch fire was reported at Shaw's Supermarket on Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

Saturday, Aug. 6

8:28 a.m.: A commercial alarm was reported at Cohasset Jewelers Inc. on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. It was determined accidental by an employee.

11:27 a.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island; citations issued.

11:42 a.m.: A commercial alarm was reported at the Cohasset Historical Society on South Main Street. It was confirmed accidental by a tenant.

11:57 a.m.: Parking enforcement at Wadleigh Park; no violators.

12:33 p.m.: A low-hanging wire was reported on Border Street. Comcast was notified.

1:03 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Government Island; citations issued.

2:37 p.m.: A disturbance was reported on Border Street Bridge involving jumpers on the bridge.

2:45 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Government Island; citations issued.

2:46 p.m.: A dispute was reported at the Fresh Feast on Ripley Road involving an employee's last paycheck.

3:22 p.m.: Parking complaint at Cunningham Bridge.

3:47 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Sandy Beach; no violations.

5 p.m.: A disturbance was reported on Border Street Bridge. A group of youths was removed from the bridge.

6:04 p.m.: A disturbance was reported on Border Street Bridge. One youth was removed from the bridge.

8:54 p.m.: A caller reported fireworks in the area of Black Rock Beach on Forest Avenue.

Sunday, Aug. 7

12:38 a.m.: A bank alarm was reported at Santander on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. Police checked the property.

2:56 a.m.: A loud party was reported at the marina on Parker Avenue.

8:12 a.m.: A residential alarm was reported on Ox Pasture Lane.

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12:24 p.m.: Parking enforcement at Sandy Beach; six tickets issued.

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1:30 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island; ticket issued.

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4:52 p.m.: Parking enforcement on Government Island; citation issued.

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6:59 p.m.: Parking enforcement on S. Main St.; cars tagged.

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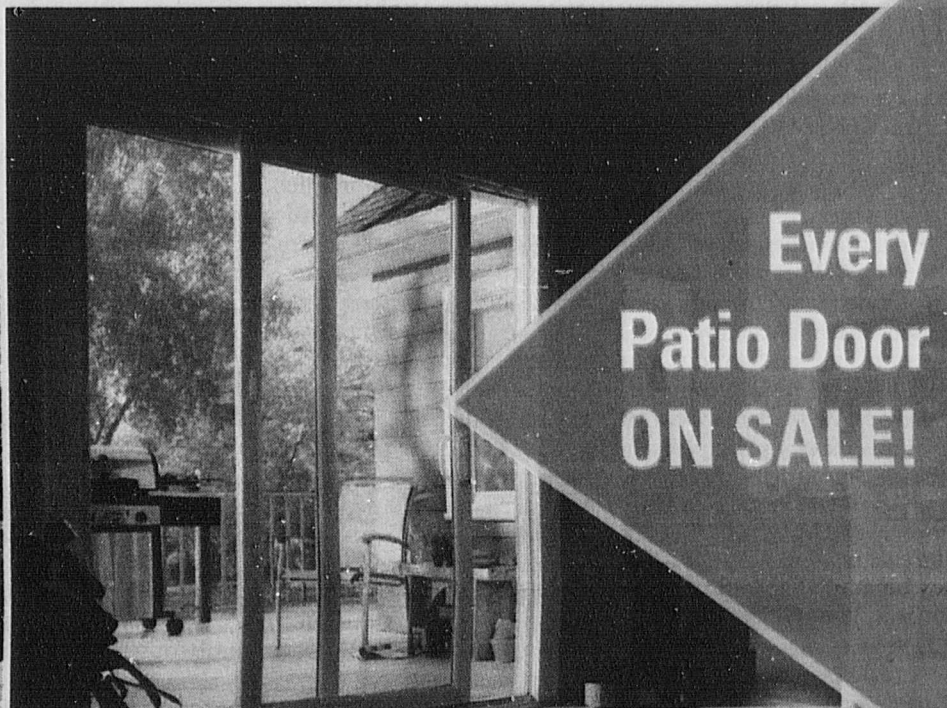
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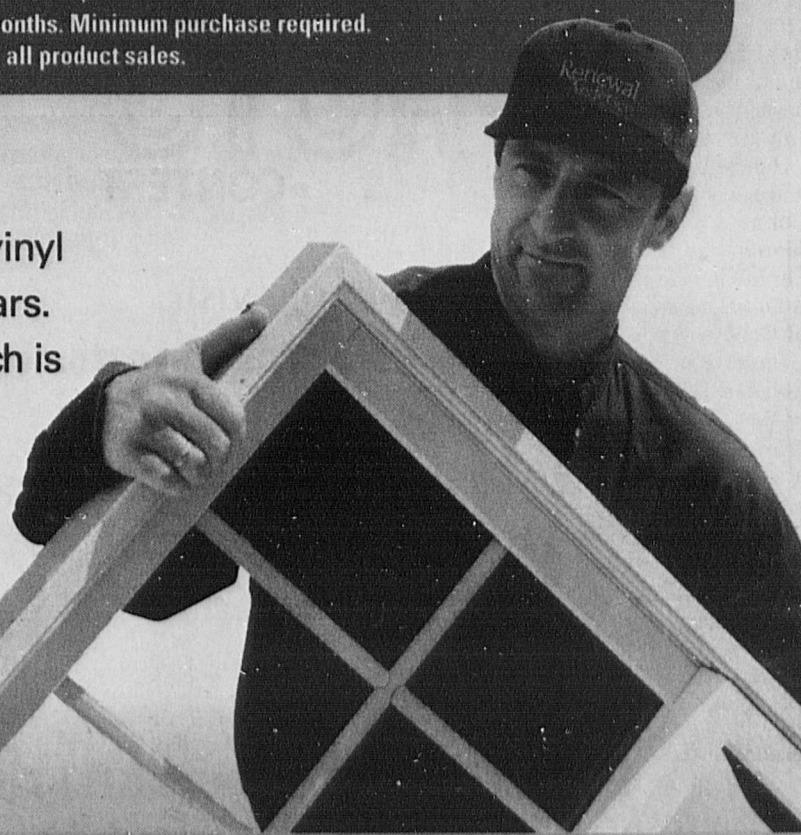
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Digital learning plan roll-out begins

By Amanda C. Thompson
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Using an iPad might mean instant gratification, but creating a plan to use that iPad constructively in a classroom is anything but instant. Cohasset schools have been working on a digital learning plan for four years. This spring, roll-out finally began.

"We did it the right way," said Louise Demas, interim superintendent. "We educated teachers first. We saw what they wanted to do and what they could do, and now we're ready to put the tools in their hands."

Those tools vary by grade level. This spring, Osgood and Deer Hill provided carts of iPads or Chromebooks to each classroom.

Fourth and fifth grade students use the Chromebooks for projects like blogging about assigned reading. This activity gives them an opportunity for authentic, real-time collaboration with teachers and peers and comes at a stage of their education where developing writing skills is paramount.

Kindergarten through third grade teachers can now incorporate an iPad "station" into their learning rotation. Stations allow students to work on specific skills and projects in small groups.

"The iPad is appropriate for primary children," said kindergarten teacher Julia DeWaal prior to the roll-out. "They clamor over it. They're ready for it; we're ready for it."

DeWaal was one of the first to learn about effective digital tools for teaching and was a key player in sharing her new knowledge with other teachers at Osgood.

Teachers across the district were encouraged to take advantage of a partnership with Bridgewater State University, which would enable them to earn a certificate in using technology in the classroom. The district reimburses teachers for continued education up to two courses per year.

The technology certificate included four courses and, for 11 teachers, took two years to complete fully. 15 or 20 teachers achieved a partial certificate. And almost everyone participated in workshops or before-school learning sessions with teachers like DeWaal who had gone through the program.

It's not just tablets and laptops, though. Thanks to grants from the Cohasset Education Foundation and PSO, Osgood students will get to practice coding with Bee-Bots – little toy bugs that kids can program to move in different ways. And fourth-graders get to learn programming with Sphero, a round little robot that can be controlled with a smart device.

"The CEF has been very instrumental in helping us drive this," said Demas. "And Capital Budget Committee has been a big help getting the carts into Osgood and Deer Hill this year; we've needed them to get this done. It's been

a whole-community effort."

The goal for the elementary schools has never been a one-to-one situation. Administrators don't want to put a device in every student's hand all day, every day, just because they can. That's why having a five-year plan was so important, and why that plan had to start with educating the educators.

The Middle High School is taking a slightly different approach. When the digital learning plan reaches sixth- through 12th- graders, students will be asked to provide their own devices. Demas said that it's important for students to learn on the devices they will be taking with them to college and beyond.

There is not yet a concrete roll-out date for the technology plan at the middle and high school levels. The plan can't roll out until all the infrastructure is in place, and that's been a big task.

Deputy Chief Information Officer Bart Riley was hired last year to tackle it. Administration will provide an update to the Board of Selectmen and Capital Budget Committee in the fall.

"The teachers are ready and eager," said Demas. "Great things have been taking place, and we have several grants going on."

The next step will be to combine the digital learning plan and the just-finished strategic plan.

"The technology had its own entity of where it wanted to



Cohasset students listening to story and then interacting with story details using QR codes.



A first-grader listens to a story while working on an iPad. COURTESY PHOTOS

go," Demas explained. "Now it's time to fuse them into one." "A goal without a plan is just a myth," said Demas. "We have

a plan. The teachers understand the importance of using technology to enhance the way they teach. They're going to

open up the world." Follow Amanda on Twitter for updates: @MarinerAmandaT

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Planning to apply to college?

Jumpstart the process with these tips from the College Board

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Now that you've had time to relax and unwind, the next few weeks before school starts is a great time to get a jumpstart on some of the tasks you should complete if you plan to apply to college.

Angela María García, the executive director of College Planning in the College & Career Access division of the College Board, shared these suggestions that will help both juniors and seniors get ready to apply.

Do a self-inventory: An important part of finding the right college for you is knowing who you are today, García explained. A self-inventory can help you plan for college and a career.

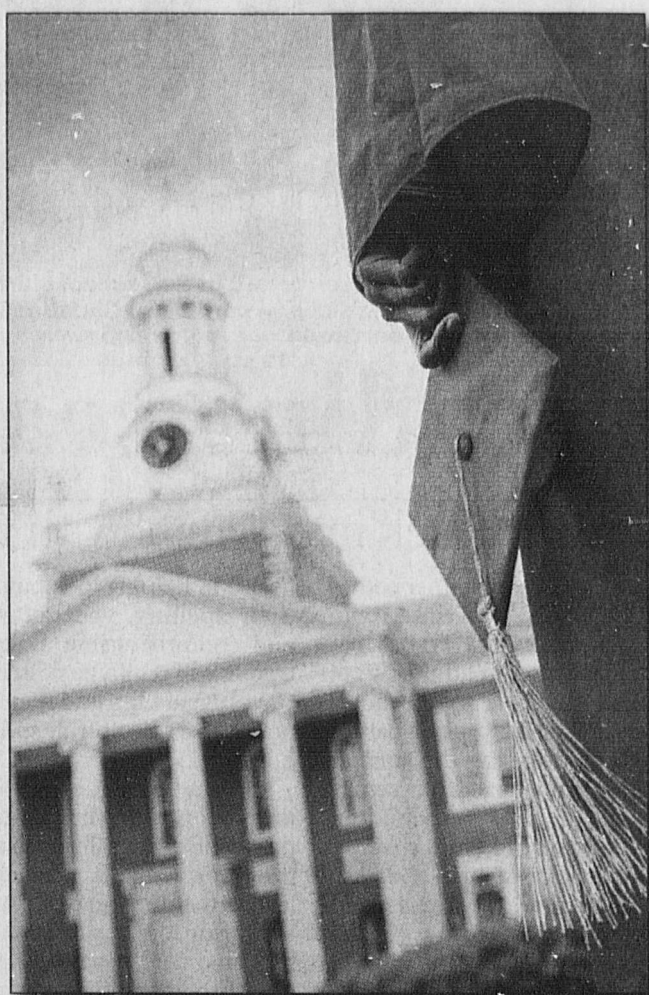
"It's especially important for juniors to start this process," she said. "Think about the things you do well, what challenges you and the accomplishments you're proud of. This will give you a better sense of who you are and the type of colleges that might fit you best."

A self-assessment tool is available on BigFuture, a free website by the College Board (www.bigfuture.org).

"I really do believe that understanding what their passion is will help them in discovering the colleges and majors that will fit them best across multiple dimensions - academic fit, financial fit and social fit," García said.

Search for colleges: Once you have a better sense of yourself and what you're looking for in a college, start searching for schools. The college search function at BigFuture allows students to compare multiple attributes by adding different filters to their search. According to García, the top three filters students choose are location, student population, and majors and degrees.

Visit a college campus: Visiting a college campus helps you get a sense of what a college - and life at that college - is like. Pre-



pare a list of questions you have and things you want to see before you visit. It's ideal if you can start visiting colleges as a junior, García said.

"It gives students a sense of big vs. small, public vs. private, etc., and the initial exposure helps build a spark of interest in what it's going to be like when they actually go to college," García said.

If you're unable to visit, many schools have built a presence on social media, which enables students to get a general sense of what that college or university might be like, whether it's a student sharing a day in the life or a student ambassador giving a virtual tour of the campus, she said.

Get ready for the FAFSA: To apply for federal financial aid, you have to fill out the FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid. You can begin filling out the FAFSA Oct. 1 of your senior year, so use this time to gather the materials you need to complete it once the FAFSA opens.

Some colleges also re-

quire the CSS Profile to determine financial aid from sources outside the federal government, so it's important to be aware of what's required by the colleges to which you're applying.

Start your college application essay: Use your free time these next few weeks to complete a first draft of your college application essay. The essay provides an opportunity to share your personality with admission officers and showcase your writing skills. Once school starts, it's important to get your guidance counselor and your teachers to review it, but it should still reflect who you are, García said.

"Even after you've refined your essay, it's important to make sure your voice comes through, as that's what colleges are really looking for," she said.

Practice for college admission tests: A lot of students take the SAT for the first time in the spring of their junior year, García said. If they want to improve their scores, it's beneficial to practice using free

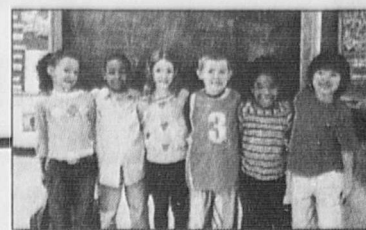
Official SAT Practice from the test maker. The College Board has partnered with Khan Academy, so students can build a customized test practice plan based on their PSAT/NM-SQT results or take diagnostic quizzes to find out what to focus on to improve their skills.

"There are a lot of ways to practice for the SAT. You can take advantage of the micro moments you have free to do a question of the day with the Daily Practice for the New SAT app," García stressed.

Students can also sit down and take a full exam and scan and score it in seconds with the app to find out what they got wrong, García added.

And most importantly, seniors need to remember to send their SAT and subject test scores to the schools to which they're applying.

Angela María García is the executive director of College Planning in the College & Career Access division of the College Board. In this role, she and her staff support the development and distribution of college planning tools, resources and outreach initiatives, which serve students and their families and educators.



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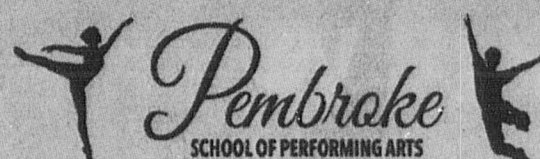


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Back to School



Money smart

How to budget for school expenses

By Melissa Erickson
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Back-to-school shopping is expensive, but budgeting on backpacks and school supplies can make your dollars go farther.

After peaking in 2014, back-to-school spending dipped a bit last year. The National Retail Federation estimated that families with students in kindergarten through high school spent \$630 per child in 2015, down from \$669 in 2014, for a grand total of \$29 billion.

"Every family needs to budget for back-to-school spending no matter what their financial outlook," personal finance expert Rachel Cruze, author of "Smart Money Smart Kids," said.

From trendy school clothes to nifty pencil bags and binders, it's easy for parents to overspend.

"Budgeting is key. If you don't have a plan, you'll end up spending too much," Cruze said.

Some people "hear the word 'budget' and cringe, but a budget doesn't limit freedom, it increases your freedom, so you can control what you spend," Cruze said.

Budgeting has to be intentional, and back-to-school spending needs to be a part of the household budget, Cruze said.

"List all the categories your money is going to: bills, mortgage, rent. That's

your household budget. What's left after bills can be saved or set aside for things like back-to-school spending. You know school is coming. Plan ahead and you'll have a nice little fund for shopping," Cruze said.

Here are some more tips from Cruze, whose new book, "Love Your Life, Not Theirs," will be available in October:

Plan it

Start smart by making a list of everything you'll need so you can budget the money you have to cover your expenses. Without a list, you'll spend blindly and spend too much. Don't shop without your list.

Think ahead

Some states have tax-free shopping days before school starts. Comparison-shop and look online to find the best prices. Take advantage of retailers who slash prices at the end of the season.

Make sure you need it

Check what you already have. Does last year's school uniform still fit? Is there an extra box of pencils that can be used? You might already have essentials such as rulers, scissors, pencils and paper on hand.

Needs over wants

Just because you have a coupon for an item doesn't mean you have to buy it. Stick with what your child needs rather than what your child wants. The required list of school supplies and new gym shoes to fit grow-

ing feet are needs. A new backpack is a want if last year's is still in good shape.

Let kids help

Back-to-school shopping is an opportunity to teach kids about budgeting. Take an envelope with cash and let kids see the money disappear as it is exchanged for goods. When it's gone, shopping is over. If a child wants trendy clothing brands or upscale supplies, let them cover the difference themselves.

Use tools

In addition to paging through weekly circulars and researching deals online, use an app to help with budgeting and couponing such as EveryDollar, SnipSnap, shopkick or YNAB (You Need A Budget) as well as apps from retailers you frequent.

Think about school-year expenses now

"It's likely that you'll have fees due throughout the school year, some expected and some unexpected. Too many parents get caught off guard because they weren't planning for these fees and don't have the extra money to pay for them," Cruze said. "Create a line item in your budget for miscellaneous school expenses and start setting money aside. This will allow you to have the money readily available for when the fees come due and prevent you from going into debt or feeling stressed about not having the money."



Savvy parents use the week or two before school starts to give kids a jumpstart on refreshing their reading skills, according to Christine Willig, president of McGraw-Hill Education's School Group. PHOTO/ROB LEWINE - IMAGE SOURCE

Reading readiness

Ease back into school with these strategies

As summer comes to a close, it can be hard for both kids and adults to get back into an academic mindset. Whether you're a parent that's dreading the start of the school rush or struggling to help your children rediscover reading success, the trick is to plan ahead.

"Identify strategies and approaches to stay organized to help ease your child seamlessly back into a reading and learning mindset," Christine Willig, president of McGraw-Hill Education's School Group, said. "Savvy parents use the week or two before school begins to give kids a jumpstart on refreshing their reading skills, and help prepare them for the school year ahead."

Willig offers parents the following tips to ease kids back into a reading and learning mindset:

• **Make it entertaining:** Reading should be fun. Let kids pick their own material to ensure the subjects engage them and help them develop a love of reading.

• **Play games:** Reading board games can be very

useful in helping kids build their spelling, vocabulary and comprehension skills. Games can reinforce skills in ways that are fun and memorable, so concepts truly stick.

• **Take advantage of free library programs:** Many community libraries offer special programs for kids, particularly in the summer or weeks leading up to school. Beat the heat and take advantage of these opportunities whenever possible.

• **Incorporate technology:** There's no denying it, children today are comfortable using all forms of technology, whether computers, tablets or smartphones. Getting kids to enjoy reading and to do it more often could be as simple as presenting it in a preferred medium. Many great books for kids of all ages are available digitally and provide interactive experiences that bring reading to life.

For example, Fusion Reading, a mobile learning app from McGraw-Hill Education, is a comprehensive, research-based reading intervention program for students in grades 6-12. It fea-

tures interactive lessons and games to make reading fun, so struggling students can quickly become fluent, competent and confident readers. To learn more about how educational games like Fusion Reading are helping kids get a jumpstart on literacy, or to buy the \$0.99 mobile app visit bit.ly/FusionReading.

• **Build on schoolwork:** These tips can also be used when your child is back in school. For example, parents should stay involved with their children's schoolwork to help them build on progress made throughout the school year. Many classrooms are improving the way reading is taught in order to make it fun, modern and interactive, while ensuring students meet state and national standards.

To help improve grades across the board, make reading a priority in your home. For greater success this school year and beyond, find opportunities to read that are fun, stress-free and engaging.

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Health screenings

As summer winds down, thoughts turn from jaunts to the beach to readying for a new school year. To-do lists include many of the typical tasks that precede going back to the classroom, including shopping

for new clothes, purchasing school supplies and finishing summer reading assignments. Another essential requirement parents must find time for is completing their children's health screenings and immunizations so youngsters can return to school.

Health screenings may include, but may not be limited to, routine physical exams, eye exams and dental cleanings. Each school district may have its own set of health requirements that must be met in order for children to attend school. Many schools require that children are up-to-date with all immunizations before they can begin a new school year. While the issue of vaccinations has inspired debate in recent years, parents should recognize that many schools will only exempt students from receiving certain vaccinations due to religious reasons. For a list of state vaccination re-

quirements and possible exemptions for schools in the United States, visit www2a.cdc.gov/nip/school/surv/schImmRqmt.asp.

Students who have specific learning disabilities or medical conditions that require classroom modification should obtain recent documentation from any therapists or specialists prior to beginning a new school year. Doing so facilitates the process of setting up procedures within the school while ensuring children have what they need to excel in the classroom. All parents may want to ask doctors to provide copies of medical and immunization records so that schools will

have the most recent copies on file.

Parents should schedule eye examinations well in advance of the first day of school so they have ample time to fill new prescriptions for youngsters before school begins. This ensures kids won't be starting off on the wrong foot because of vision problems that could already have been addressed.

Parents of adolescents or students on the verge of adolescence may want to address the subject of bodily changes before the school year begins anew. This will help children better understand what is happening when they witness

changes in themselves and fellow classmates and give them a chance to receive accurate information rather than gossip from their peers.

Keep in mind that health screenings conducted in advance of the school year may not preclude students from school-sponsored screenings. Schools may offer their own vision and hearing screenings and may take physical measurements to ensure students are growing on schedules in line with normal development.

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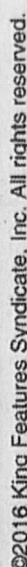
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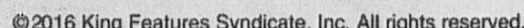
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From August 15 to September 23, MassBay's Office of Admissions, Office of Financial Aid, Academic and Transfer Advising, Registration, and Student Accounts Offices will be open: Monday to Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Fridays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

MassBay will also offer special Saturday office hours on August 20 and August 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., to help last-minute students apply on the spot, set up a payment plan, choose courses, and get started on their education.

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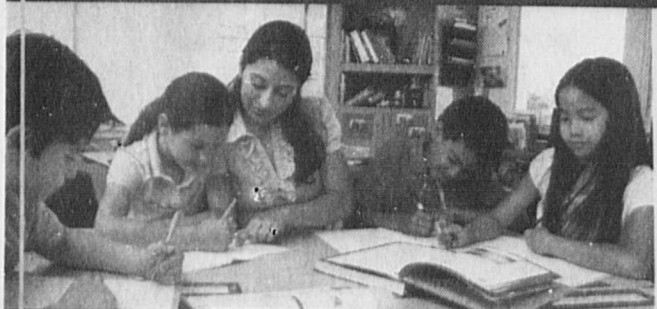
The Brookings Institution, an international global policy think tank, ranked MassBay No. 1 among all community colleges in Massachusetts in a 2015 study, which looked value-added, salary outcomes of its graduates. In the same study, MassBay ranked No. 2 for value added among all community colleges in New England and No. 16 among two-year and four-year college combined. MassBay students pay less and earn more.

Our Alumni

In recent years, MassBay graduates have transferred to competitive four-year institutions, including Framingham State University, UMass Amherst, UMass Boston, UMass Lowell, Wellesley College, Boston College, MIT, Dartmouth College, Northeastern University and more. Many now serve as college professors, elected officials, business owners, and scientists active in research. Graduates who have gone directly into the workplace are practicing nurses, real estate agents, and small business owners. Our alumni are vital to the economic growth in Massachusetts.

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Author visit features Vicki Constantine Croke at Duxbury Free Library

WHEN: 7 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 17
WHAT: Author Vicki Constantine Croke will visit the Duxbury Free Library

INFO: Vicki Constantine Croke, author of "Elephant Company," will visit the Duxbury Free Library, 77 Alden St., Duxbury, as part of the BookBreeze Summer Literary Festival. Registration required.
For information: 781-934-2721, www.duxburyfreelibrary.org.



Farm to Table dinner set for Aug. 13 at Hull Lifesaving Station

WHEN: 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 13

WHAT: Farm to Table dinner at Hull Lifesaving Station

INFO: Farm to Table dinner event will be held at Hull Lifesaving Station, 1117 Nantasket Ave., Hull. Catering by Michael Aprea. Cocktails on the deck, a chowder tasting with food historian Paula Marcoux and a tasting of local wines. Table reservations are available for parties of four and six. Tickets: \$75 all inclusive.
For information: 781-925-5433, www.hulllifesavingmuseum.org.



Ginamark scheduled to play Aug. 14 at the Nisby Bandstand in Abington

WHEN: 6 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 14

WHAT: Ginamark will perform in Abington in the summer concert series

INFO: Ginamark will perform at Nisby Bandstand, Millennium Memorial Complex, Gliniewicz Way, Abington. Take a blanket or lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, concert will be in Abington Senior Center, 441 Summer St.
For information: 781-878-8521, abingtonsummerconcerts.webs.com.



CALENDAR

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Friday, Aug. 12

Register to inscribe exhibit: Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield. The first 100 Marshfield residents who sign up will inscribe a clay leaf Aug. 24 with their favorite book title and initials as part of an interactive clay sculpture that will be mounted on the wall in the library's entrance lobby. For information: 781-834-5535, www.ventresslibrary.org.

Mama Steph: 11-11:30 a.m., Norwell Public Library, 64 South St., Norwell. Enjoy this free concert with your little one. Admittance is on a space-available basis. For information: 781-659-2015, norwellpubliclibrary.org.

Marshfield Farmers' Market: 2-6 p.m. at the Marshfield Fairgrounds at the grandstands, 140 Main St., Marshfield. Free parking/admission to this market of 100 percent local fresh produce from eight farms, plus 35 vendors of meat/eggs/dairy/seafood, bakers/chefs, artisans, hot/cold food and home goods. Live music, pony rides, free demos and kids activity too. For information: 781-635-0889, MarshfieldFair.org.

Food Truck Rodeo: 6-10 p.m., Union Point soccer field, 495 Shea Memorial Drive, South Weymouth. Music by James Montgomery Band as well as The Uptown Horns. DJ Drew Panico will also entertain the crowd. More than 25 area food trucks, face painting, lawn games and balloon artistry. Take a blanket and chair for a summer night of music, family-friendly fun and fresh fare. For information: www.unionpointma.com.

Author Abigail Thomas: 7 p.m., Westwinds Bookshop, 35 Depot St., Duxbury. As part of the BookBreeze Summer Literary Festival, she will present her book "What Comes Next and How to Like It." Registration required. For information:

781-934-2721, www.duxburyfreelibrary.org or www.westwindsbookshop.com.

Summer concert by Satuit Concert Band: 7:30 p.m., Nantasket Beach. Band membership includes high school and college students, dedicated amateurs and seasoned professionals. Directed by conductor Charlie Shaffer. Admission is free. For information: satuitband.com.

"Legally Blonde the Musical": July 29-Aug. 20 at the Company Theatre, 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. The musical is by Heather Hach, with music and lyrics by Laurence O'Keefe and Nell Benjamin, based on the novel by Amanda Brown and the MGM movie. Tickets are \$39 to \$41. For information: 781-871-2787, www.companytheatre.com.

Scoop & the Rhythm Hoos: 8 p.m., Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Saturday, Aug. 13

Audubon summer programs: 9:30-11 a.m., every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday in August, Duxbury Beach. Participants meet in the lot on the ocean side of the Powder Point Bridge. Tell the harbor master you are attending the Mass Audubon program. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore.

New Bedford Whaling Blues Festival: 11:45 a.m. to 7:45 p.m., Fort Taber Park, 1000 S. Rodney French Blvd., New Bedford. The Zeiterion Performing Arts Center joins with the New Bedford Whaling Blues Festival to bring back this outdoor music festival to Fort Taber Park overlooking Buzzards Bay and the Elizabeth Islands. In addition to the main stage artists, the festival also dedicates a stage to local talent. Tickets are \$25 (senior/student), \$55 (general) and \$125 (VIP). For information: 508-994-2900, www.zeiterion.org or www.nbwalingbluesfest.com.

Summer classic film series: 2-4 p.m., Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield. Free movie and popcorn. No tickets required. Drop-ins welcome. Aug. 13 "E.T." Aug. 27 "Grease." For information: 781-834-5535, www.ventresslibrary.org.

Croquet tournament: 3-7 p.m. on the lawn of the King Caesar House Museum, 120 King Caesar Road, Duxbury. Presented by the Duxbury Rural & Historical Society. Raw bar provided by Island Creek Oysters. Cocktails and food by The Catered Affair and the 1803 Winsor House Inn. Awards given for shoot out competition and best hat. "Creative White" attire encouraged. Spectator admission is \$25 per person and includes games, party, food and two drink tickets. Cash bar available. Open to the general public. For information, call 781-934-6160 or visit www.duxburyhistory.org.

Vocalist Shemekia Copeland: 4:30 p.m., Fort Taber Park, 1000 Rodney French Blvd., New Bedford. Part of the New Bedford Whaling Blues Festival. Winner of the 2016 Blues Music Award for Contemporary Blues Female Artist of the Year, Copeland is touring in support of her Grammy-nominated album, "Outskirts of Love." Ticket price: \$25-\$125/children under 10 free with paid adult. For information: 508-994-2900, www.zeiterion.org.

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Fundraiser for Marty Phillips: noon, Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. Followed by the Steve Tobias Band. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

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Ginamark: 6 p.m., Nisby Bandstand, Millennium Memorial Complex, Gliniewicz Way, Abington. Part of the Abington summer concert series. Take a blanket or lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, concert will be in Abington Senior Center, 441 Summer St. For information: 781-878-8521, abingtonsummerconcerts.webs.com.

Monday, Aug. 15

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Tuesday, Aug. 16

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Art show opening: Front Street Art Gallery, 124 Front St., Scituate Harbor. "Charles Stockbridge: Marine Artist," will run from today through Sept. 4 with a First Friday reception from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 1 with music by the Driftway Jazz. Stockbridge's paintings focus on waterfront, beachfront and classic catboats, sloops and working craft of the New England waters. For information: 781-545-6150, www.frontstartgallery.com.

Hull Yacht Club speaker: 7 p.m., Hull Yacht Club, 5 Fitzpatrick Way, Hull. Bill Bradford will recount "The Wonder Years: Hull Yacht Club 1880-1905," the early years when it was one of the most active clubs in America. Nantasket Beach Lecture Series is co-presented monthly by the Hull Lifesaving Museum, the Friends of the Hull Public Library, and the Department of Conservation and Recreation. For information: 781-925-5433, www.hulllifesavingmuseum.org.

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Thursday, Aug. 18

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Photographing Sunsets: 7-9 p.m., Powder Point Bridge, Duxbury Beach. Individualized instruction in specialized techniques will help you perfect your sunset images. Participants should take a camera, wide-angle

lens and tripod. \$20/\$15 member. Preregistration is required. A separate workshop (requiring separate registration) on photographing sunrises will be offered Aug. 20. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore.

Wolverton on trumpet joins the Willie J. Laws Band to start: 8 p.m., Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. Followed by open mic with Willie J. Laws Jr. Jammers invited and welcome. Free pizza. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Friday, Aug. 19

Marshfield Fair: noon to 10 p.m., Aug. 19-28, 140 Main St., Marshfield. Admission \$10; children 6 and under free. Music, demos, truck and tractor pulls, arts and crafts, kids activities and more. For information: 781-834-6629, 781-834-6620, www.marshfieldfair.org.

Marshfield Farmers' Market: 2-6 p.m., Marshfield Town Green next to Town Hall at the corner of Moraine and Ocean streets, during the Fair. 100 percent fresh and local produce/meat/eggs/dairy/seafood, bakers/chefs, artisans, hot/cold food and home goods. For information: 781-635-0889, MarshfieldFair.org.

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Juke Joint 5 featuring Lisa Marie: 8 p.m., Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Saturday, Aug. 20

Photographing Sunrises: 5:15-7:15 a.m., Duxbury Beach. Whether you are a budding photographer or an enthusiast, individualized instruction in specialized techniques will help you perfect your sunrise images. Participants should take a camera, wide-angle lens and tripod. Preregistration is required. \$20/\$15 member. For information: 781-837-9400, ext. 7902, www.massaudubon.org/southshore.

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Hull Artists Open Studios Art Tour:

10 a.m. to 4 p.m., today and tomorrow, Hull. Thirty-nine artists will display their work in home studios. Member artists are professionals who work in various media such as watercolors, mixed media, oils, pastels, photography, acrylic, pottery, illustrated nautical charts, original greeting cards and handcrafted jewelry. Download a free map from www.hullartists.com. Admission is free, parking is free and children are welcome. For information: HAOpenStudios@gmail.com, 617-378-5476.

Panagia Church Greek Festival: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Panagia Church, 81 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. Featuring Greek food, dinners, desserts, beer and wine, Greek and American music, kids activities. For information: 781-749-3250, ext. 10, www.facebook.com/events/1743128485953999.

Prenatal yoga workshop: 2:30-4 p.m., Open Doors Yoga Studios, 400 Lincoln Plaza #11, Hingham. Join in for a 60-minute all-levels practice designed just for you. No yoga experience necessary. Get tips on continuing your practice at home and enjoy healthy refreshments. For information: 781-749-7461, <https://clients.mindbodyonline.com/classic/?admhome?studioid=4684>.

Sunset Hayride & Fire: 6-7:30 p.m., Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary, Winslow Cemetery Road, Marshfield. Hayride through the sanctuary, stories at fireside, visit to Fox Hill to watch the stars come out. Light refreshments will be provided. \$10/\$7 member. For information: 781-837-9400, ext. 7902, www.massaudubon.org/southshore.

NAMI caregivers support group: 6-7:30 p.m., Vinfen's office, 5 Fennell Drive, Weymouth, presented by National Alliance on Mental Illness. A caregivers support group for those who have loved ones living with mental illness. Facilitators guide the group offering advice and support. Group meets the first and third Monday each month (except legal holidays - meet on Tuesday following holiday). For information: namisouthshore@gmail.com.

Soul Shine: 8 p.m., Next Page Café, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Carolee's Comedy Corner: 9 p.m., Buzzards Play Productions, 3065 Cranberry Highway, Wareham. House MC is Chris Tabb. Guest comics: Chris Zito, Mike Bain, Shane Olesen. Doors open at 8 p.m. and show starts at 9. Tickets are \$14. Ages 18+ welcomed and 21+ for the cash bar. For information: 508-942-3917, caroleescomedycorner@gmail.com.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR CALENDAR EVENT

Here are some tips on getting your event information posted to the Wicked Local calendar and included in this regional calendar:

REGISTER: Find the Events Calendar on your Wicked Local homepage in the bottom right portion on the website and click on the Add Event button. Click the Register link in the top right hand corner of your calendar page, above Add Event. Enter an email address, first name, last name, password, and password confirmation. Once you click "Register," a verification email will be sent to the email address with which you registered. Be sure to confirm your account through that email to complete the process. Once registered, you will have the ability to add events.

ADD AN EVENT: Click the Add Event button. Fill in required fields such as event title, date, time, category, and venue. Events may be set up to repeat daily,

weekly, monthly, or by manually adding additional dates.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

■ The more detail the better in the event description field and there is a section to provide optional contact information.

■ Categories are important for tagging events with discoverable search terms and eases a visitor's ability to find the type of events they are looking to attend. An event can have multiple categories.

■ Events must be matched to a known venue. You can also add a new venue if your venue is not listed.

■ Events are subject to review before appearing on the site.

IMAGES: Make sure to include an image with your event. Events with images command three times the attention than those without. EvieSays uses a simple image uploader with options to drag and drop or browse, so adding images to your event is easy.

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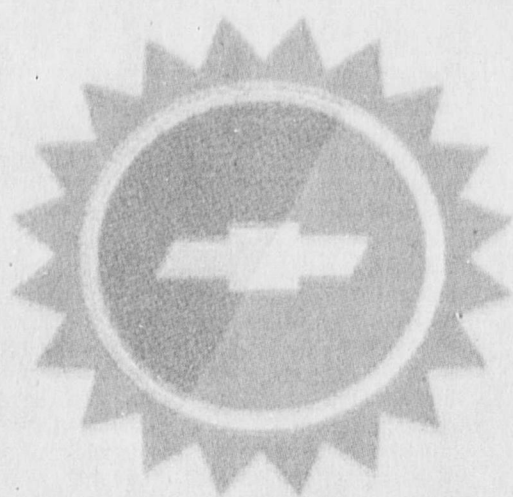
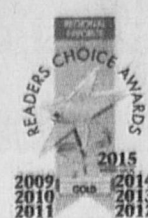
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